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## NEW YEAR'S DAY AT WHITE HOUSE

### Bugle Blast Echoes "The President's Call" Through Corridors of Building

## THE MOST BRILLIANT THE CAPITAL EVER SAW

### President Begins With High Dignitaries, Giving Each a Hearty Shake and Gets Down to Common folks

Washington, Jan. 1.—At eleven o'clock this morning the bugle blast blew out in the new marble corridors of the White House. It was "The President's Call" and scarcely had the last note died away before the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, followed by members of the Cabinet and their ladies proceeded down the broad staircase from the second story of the historic building, passed across the corridor into the Green room and then to the Blue room where they took up stations in the bay window to shake hands with official and civil Washington in honor of the young year. Today's reception in many respects is the most brilliant the national capital has ever seen.

To the public at large the occasion afforded the first opportunity to view the interior improvements recently completed in the executive mansion.

The program for the reception was as follows:

- 11 a. m.—The President received the members of the Cabinet and of the diplomatic corps.
- 11:15 a. m.—The chief justice and the associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, the judges of the United States Court of Claims, the judges of the Court of Appeals, the judges of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, ex-cabinet officers and ex-ministers of the United States.
- 11:25 a. m.—Senators and representatives and delegates in congress, the commissioners and judicial officers of the various states.
- 11:40 a. m.—Officers of the navy, officers of the army, officers of the marine corps, commanding general and general staff of the militia of the District of Columbia.
- 12 m.—The regents and secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the commissioner of fisheries, members of the civil service commission and of the interstate commerce commission, the commissioner of labor, assistant secretaries of departments, assistant postmasters general, the solicitor general, assistant attorneys general, the controller of the currency, the treasurer of the United States, commissioner of pensions, commissioner of patents, the heads of the bureaus in the several departments, the president of the Columbia Institute for the Deaf and Dumb.
- 12:15 p. m.—The associated veterans of the war of 1846-7, the Grand Army of the Republic, the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, the United Veteran Legion, Union Veterans' Union, Spanish War Veterans, the members of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association of the District of Columbia.
- 1 p. m.—The public.

## "ROOSEVELT ROSE" BARRED. Patent Office Refuses To Trade-Mark The Name.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President Roosevelt's name is not to be used in labeling new brands of cigars, patent medicines, soap and other articles of trade requiring the granting of a trademark by the United States Patent Office. This decision has been made by the Commissioner of Patents, who recently refused to grant the application of an enterprising New England firm, who applied for a trade-mark bearing the name of "Roosevelt Rose." The application does not state what this name is to be used on, but the inference is that it is to designate a flower. The Commissioner of Patents decides that a living celebrity is entitled to protection from the use of his name for the purposes of trade by others and this is especially true in the case of the name of the President of the United States. The Commission holds that it is against the public policy of the Patent Office to lend its sanction to the use of the President's name by granting registration therefor as a trade-mark without his express consent.

## DON'T WASH ON A SUNDAY.

Mrs. Harowitz Did and a Pennsylvania 1794 Law Was Outraged. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 1.—It has been definitely decided that it is against the law in South Scranton to wash or hang out clothes to dry on Sunday. Miss Belinda Welsh discovered an unrepentant law defying back to 1794 forbidding manual labor on Sunday.

She has as neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harowitz. On Sunday Mrs. Harowitz washed and hung out the clothes. Miss Welsh last night had her before Magistrate Howe, who fined Mrs. Harowitz and warned her not to offend again.

Mrs. Harowitz said in her defense that she did not see the distinction between running trains and keeping stores open on Sunday and doing one's own laundry work.

## HUDSON ICE GORGE GROWS.

Now Two and a Half Miles Wide From Coeymans To Castleton. Poughkeepsie, Jan. 1.—The ice gorge at North Coeymans, which formed after the ice moved out of the river at Albany last week, has grown to be two miles and a half long, and extends above Castleton.

The ice is formed in a solid mass and seems likely to remain there until spring unless it is blown up. Great apprehension is felt by up-river residents near the gorge.

The ice below is intact for many miles south, and such conditions are unfavorable for a breaking up of the gorge. The snow and cold weather predicted will tend to make the gorge more solid.

## NO FUNERALS ON SUNDAYS.

Action of Poughkeepsie Cemetery Association Causes Dissatisfaction. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery Association has decided that after Jan. 1 no burials will be permitted in the cemetery on Sundays.

As this is the only cemetery used by the people of the city other than Catholics, the action means that no more funerals can be held on Sunday. The order has caused widespread dissatisfaction, especially among the working classes and the fraternal organizations, which make it a point, whenever possible, to have the funerals of their dead on Sunday in order not to keep men away from work.

## Incessant Rains in Jamaica.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Jan. 1.—Jamaica is being deluged by incessant rains. All the north side rivers are flooded. Approaches to bridges are undermined and some have been washed away.

## BULLET ENDS EARTHLY WOES OF R. F. MADDEN

### On the Threshold of the New Year, Haunted By Some Trouble, Known Only To Himself He Ends His Own Life

## SHRINERS WILL TAKE CHARGE OF BODY

Mr. Robert F. Madden, clerk at the Central hotel, committed suicide in his room at the hotel this afternoon shortly before 2 o'clock. A 32 calibre pistol was the weapon used.

The ball entered the right temple and crashed through the most vital portion of the brain, and came out the left temple. Death followed almost instantly.

Mr. Madden was to have gone on duty at the Central at 1:30 o'clock. He came down in the office just before 12 o'clock and had a short talk with Mr. C. E. Hooper, the proprietor, and also talked with several of the guests. He did not appear to be in the least despondent but, on the other hand seemed cheerful. He remarked to Mr. Hooper that he was feeling badly and asked if Mr. Green would work for him this afternoon. When told that Mr. Green would relieve him, he went up stairs to his room.

Shortly before two o'clock, Butler, the well known colored porter, was on the fourth floor of the hotel and passed by Mr. Madden's room. He saw Mr. Madden inside and went in. Just as he passed through the door entering the room, Mr. Madden told Butler that he was going to kill himself. The negro thought that Madden was speaking in a jocular way and paid but little attention to him. In an instant Madden pulled his gun and placing it hard against his right temple, fired.

The report of the pistol so startled Butler that he did not stop to see what damage had been done, but ran to the dining room and informed Dr. Hosen

Moss, who at the time, was eating his dinner. Dr. Moss went immediately to Mr. Madden's room and administered restoratives. These, however, were of no avail, as the unfortunate man was dead in five minutes after the shot was fired.

In speaking of the tragedy, Dr. Moss stated this afternoon, that Mr. Madden must have been standing when he fired. He fell backward and was lying at full length when Dr. Moss reached him. The bullet entered the right temple and ploughed through the brain, coming out directly opposite from where it entered.

The wound, a ghastly one, was bleeding profusely when Dr. Moss reached the unfortunate man's side. He only breathed a few minutes and quietly to a struggle. Nitro-glycerine was administered but to no avail.

Very little is known of Mr. Madden in this city. He came to Charlotte about the 15th of December on his way to Danville. He stopped at the Central and as Mr. Hooper was in need of a clerk, he and Mr. Madden made a trade. The next day Mr. Madden was behind the Central's counter. Since that date he has been holding the position of clerk and Mr. Hooper, as well as the guests of the hotel, grew to be very fond of him.

The news man learned this afternoon that the dead man came to Charlotte from Rock Hill. A telephone message from the Carolina hotel at that place states that Madden stopped in Rock Hill about a week the first of December. He made himself known to the hotel people there, stating that he was a Georgian and a native of Atlanta.

A number of Charlotte people who

## GERMANY IS MOROSE.

### Doesn't Look Brightly On the Present State of Affairs.

London, Jan. 1.—It is stated here that German officials are not inclined to resume diplomatic negotiations with Venezuela pending a decision as to the referring of the matter to the Hague.

The Manchester Guardian's New York correspondent, having sounded England and America as to their views, learns that President Roosevelt took a most active part in the negotiations which resulted in referring the dispute to arbitration even sending personal despatches to the German Emperor and received an answer from him.

The correspondence was not couched in diplomatic terms but was direct and plain-spoken.

## HITCH IN CONTRACTS.

### English Shipbuilders Not Anxious To Build Cunard Liners.

Glasgow, Jan. 1.—A hitch has occurred in placing the contracts for the new Cunard liners. Fairfield and Co., big shipbuilders, today informed the Publisher's Press that they have received no orders for the ships as it was reported and what is more they state they are not desirous of receiving the order as the conditions specified are considered ruinous to shipbuilders.

The conditions are that should the vessel not maintain 25 knots per hour during a whole year the vessel will be thrown back on the maker's hands.

## NEW RUMORS ABOUT SHIRAS.

### It is Said Judge Taft Will Succeed Him in the Spring.

Washington, Jan. 1.—There is a revival of the report started a year ago that Associate Justice George Shiras, Jr., of the United States Supreme Court will leave the bench in the course of the winter, when he will have reached the age of 70 years, and thus become entitled to retirement with full pay.

The report today comes from sources considered trustworthy, and is to the effect that Justice Shiras will retire early in February. It is further asserted that Judge William B. Taft, Governor of the Philippines, has been selected for the vacancy and will return home in the early spring to take the place on the bench.

It is admitted that Judge Taft would be expected to resign from the Federal bench of the Eastern district of Ohio to accept the Governorship of the Islands.

In his address to Harvard University last June President Roosevelt announced that Judge Taft would be appointed to the bench when a vacancy occurred for his section of the court.

## FOUND \$1,235 IN CANTEEN.

### West Virginia Farmer Declares He Met With Great Luck.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 1.—Frank McClung, a farmer living near Look-out, Fayette county, is said to have made a valuable find a few days ago. While doing some work on his farm, he declares, he overturned a large stone, and under it found an old army canteen which contained \$1,235. The canteen contained the following inscription: "George Hedges, Thirty-fourth Ohio."

It was found in a field in which a part of the Union soldiers camped during the Civil War.

## Minister Crazy By Darwin.

### Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 1.—Close study of Darwin's evolution theory has crazed the Rev. S. B. Wenger, pastor of the United Brethren Church, of Schuylkill Haven. He was one of the ablest clergymen of this region. Now he is violently insane.

## Carriage-makers On Strike.

### Amesbury, Mass., Jan. 1.—In accordance with the action taken at a meeting of the Carriage and Wagon Makers Union last evening six hundred men went out on strike this morning to enforce demand for a 9 hour day with increase of wages.

## Lights and Shadows Reflected By Wires

### The First Day of the New Year Brings the Usual Train of Sorrows and Joys--Gleanings of Interest From The Hum of a Busy World

Jefferson, Mr. Jan. 1.—Mrs. Mary Dockery, wife of Governor Dockery, died at the Executive Mansion at 5:15 this morning of heart failure.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 1.—Word reached here today of an explosion in a coal mine at Bakmoot in which 58 miners lost their lives. Twenty-one miners were rescued alive after being entombed five days.

Boston, Jan. 1.—The new Antwerp service of the Leyland Line will be inaugurated with the sailing from here February 15th of the steamer Pinnacore. The new line is to be known as the Red Star Line under the management of Frederick Leyland and Co.

North Port, N. Y., Jan. 1.—A few minutes before midnight Sanford Ketcham, a well known farmer of Middleville, went into the sleeping room of his wife and four children, kissed them and then went into an adjoining room and shot himself through the head.

Danville, Ky., Jan. 1.—The biggest gusher yet drilled in the Wayne oil fields was struck yesterday by the Penn Lubricating Co., on Jerry San-

## CUT HIS THROAT WITH PEN KNIFE

### Jas. G. Alexander, well Known Citizen of Mallard Creek, Attempts Suicide

## SERIOUSLY WOUNDED AND MAY NOT RECOVER

### Unfortunate Man Said to Be Partially Demented From Recent Bereavements in His Family

Mr. James G. Alexander, a well known citizen of Mallard Creek township and a brother of Mrs. W. S. Clanton, of this city, attempted suicide this morning by cutting his throat.

Mr. Alexander has been very despondent since the sudden death of his father, Mr. Cyrus Alexander and the sad death of his sister, Mrs. N. A. Barnhardt.

It was feared that this double bereavement would be too much of a strain on him, because of his physical condition.

Mr. Alexander got up this morning and, to all appearances was as well as on yesterday. About 8:30 o'clock he pulled out his knife and without saying a word, drew it across his throat.

The blood gushed from an ugly wound in the throat. The inmates of the Alexander home rushed to the injured man and attempted to stop the flow of blood. A messenger was sent for a nearby physician but returned shortly with the information that the physician was not at home.

Another messenger was sent to Charlotte to get a physician but, in the meanwhile the family physician who was in the neighborhood, learned of the occurrence and hastened to the Alexander home.

The messenger who came to Charlotte did not know whether the wound was very serious or not. He did know that the injured man had lost a great deal of blood.

A messenger this afternoon came to the city and The News learns that Mr. Alexander's condition is serious and doubt of his recovery is entertained.

## GAS LEAK SMOTHERS TOWN.

### All Pottsville Awakens Gasping for Breath in a Naphtha Cloud.

Pottsville, Jan. 1.—The leaking of a naphtha pipe at the local gas plant, with an accompanying heavy atmosphere, came near smothering hundreds of people today. The accident occurred just before dawn, and the air all over town was so strongly impregnated that more than a thousand families were almost asphyxiated.

People awoke gasping for breath and with dreadful nausea. Hundreds lay in a kind of stupor. This condition of the air lasted for most of the day.

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## BEST SCHOOL BOOK IS THE NEWSPAPER

### So Declares Prof. Lynch The Principal of Missouri School who Has His Pupils Study The Dailies

St. Louis, Jan. 1.—Prof. W. H. Lynch, principal of the Mountain Grove, Mo. school, today explained to the State Teachers' Association, in convention here, his method of using newspapers for study in the classroom.

Prof. Lynch has great faith in the educational value of the modern newspaper and is a subscriber to seventy dailies, weeklies and semi-weeklies. He said:

"I discovered some time ago that no textbook is equal to the newspapers as a means of disseminating actual and up-to-date knowledge in the school. Textbooks teach only a theory of the world and its facts, the newspapers tell the real drama of life in its varied forms.

"Every Friday morning I have my pupils devote time to reading newspapers. Each pupil has a different journal. Each pupil reads but one article. At a given signal the papers are folded up and each pupil tells the story he has been reading in his own words. This plan has many advantages, not the least of which is that it enables the teachers to get an insight into the natural bent of each pupil's mind."

## MARRIED ON A FAST TRAIN.

### Wyoming Rancher Met English Bride and Brought the Parson.

Newcastle, Wyo., Jan. 1.—Passengers on an overland train saw Robert G. Somers, of Moorcroft, Wyo., and Miss Margaret A. McGavin, of London, England, married by the Rev. W. Westover, of Newcastle, in the Pullman car. The bride had travelled 5,000 miles to meet Somers, who is a well-to-do rancher.

Somers and the minister met Miss McGavin here and the knot was tied while the train was running at the rate of fifty miles an hour. The ceremony was repeated at the home of the bridegroom in the presence of a large number of friends.

## Sent \$6,000,000 Abroad for Xmas.

Washington, Jan. 1.—More than \$6,000,000 in Christmas money was sent abroad this year, beating all records. Nearly complete returns from money-order offices show these figures. The records indicate an increase of 50 per cent. in the money sent to Great Britain and of 33-1-3 per cent. to other countries.

—Tomorrow night the Alumni Association of the S. A. E. Fraternity will give a theatre party and banquet at the Manufacturers Club.

## NOW JUDGE WALKER.

### Of Office Administered To Hon. Platt D. Walker Today.

It is now Judge Walker. In the presence of most of the members of the Charlotte bar, Hon. Platt D. Walker was today sworn in as associate justice of the Supreme Court. The oath of office was administered by Clerk J. A. Russell.

The incident that marks the elevation of one of Charlotte's most popular citizens to one of the highest offices in the State took place in the Law Library in the Piedmont building. Surrounded by a number of his friends, the oath was taken and Mr. Walker is now a member of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. That he will fill the high position to which he has been called by almost the unanimous vote of his State, with dignity and ability, The News feels sure.

## CROW STOLE HER MILK.

### Took Cover Off Housewife's Pail and Drank the Contents.

Bath, N. Y., Jan. 1.—For a long time Mrs. Joseph Stevenson has been robbed of her morning's supply of milk. It is her custom to set the milk pail on the horse block in front of the house every night for the convenience of the milkman on his morning rounds. She has found the cover off the pail and the milk gone.

This morning she kept watch. A few minutes after the milkman had filled the pail a big crow alighted on the horse block, lifted off the cover of the pail with his beak and drank up the milk. Then he flew away.

## CULLOM'S BILL DIES THE DEATH

### Measure Intended to Regulate Trusts, Introduced Early in the Session, Will Never Come Up Again

Washington, Jan. 1.—The anti-trust bill introduced into Congress early in December by Senator Cullom, of Illinois, may never be reported by the committee. It provided in main for publicity and it was believed it had the endorsement of President Roosevelt.

In speaking on the matter today Senator Cullom said "I sincerely regret now that the bill was introduced early in the present session to regulate the trusts. It was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and I fear it was a mistake on my part not to refer it to the judiciary committee."

The present indications are that my bill is to be smothered to death in that committee. Had I sent it to my own committee it would have at least been complimented by getting a report on it."

## DURHAM VISITED BY CONFLAGRATION

### Explosion of Kerosene Lamp in the Telephone Exchange Starts Flames That Gut The Entire Building

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—A kerosene lamp exploded at 3:30 this morning in the Interstate Telephone Company's office over the First National Bank at Durham.

The Telephone Company was burned out and the two upper floors of the building gutted. The losses are: Interstate Telephone Co. \$8,000, insurance \$5,000.

Guthrie and Guthrie, law office, \$3,600, insured fully. Mrs. Smith's millinery store ruined, no insurance.

Damage to bank by water \$4,000; damage to building \$7,000.

## MAY CANCEL ITS CONTRACT.

### District Officials Think Moundsville Prison Unsanitary.

Washington, Jan. 1.—There are rumors at the City Hall that the law authorities representing the Federal Government in the District of Columbia may cancel their contract with the West Virginia State Penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va., where prisoners convicted of penitentiary offenses in the District of Columbia are confined. There is no local penitentiary.

For some years District prisoners were sent to the prisons at Albany and Arenton, but three years ago the District entered into a contract with the warden of the West Virginia institution. The grounds for the contemplated change are found in the assertions to the effect that the sanitary condition of the institution is not satisfactory and consumption is prevalent. It is alleged that one-third of the deaths at the penitentiary within the last year were due to consumption, and that each of the cases, with a single exception, originated in the institution, which is in a low country. There are several hundred District of Columbia prisoners at the penitentiary.

## More Pay For Railroad Men.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 1.—The employees of the Central Railroad of New Jersey here were notified today of an increase in wages. The navies, who have been receiving from \$1.20 to \$1.30 per day, are to have \$1.50, and all other employees will receive increase of 10 per cent. dating from Dec. 1.

## Peru And Bolivia To Arbitrate.

La Paz, Bolivia, Jan. 1.—The Bolivian Foreign Minister and the Peruvian Minister here have signed a treaty submitting to arbitration the boundary question between Peru and Bolivia.

## Edward Proclaimed Emperor of India

### Amid the Gorgeous Mummery of the Delhi Durbar Today the Princes and Potentates Swear Allegiance to the Sovereign of England

Delhi, India, Jan. 1.—King Edward was proclaimed Emperor of India today at the Coronation Durbar, held in the presence of all the native rulers of the Indian empire. It was the most gorgeous Durbar ever held in India.

The Durbar brought together potentates representing a population greater than all Europe who swore allegiance to King Edward. The Durbar was held in a vast covered amphitheatre specially erected on the Dhaerpoore plain, about four miles outside of Delhi city.

On a great level stretch reaching away on all sides from Durbar hall were drawn up forty thousand British troops on the north side, and about ten thousand native soldiers on the south side. Tethered among the native contingent were numerous elephants and camels, ridden by Rajahs and their chief nobles.

Practically the entire population of Delhi, numbering over two hundred thousand, marched to the plain, passing through the thousands of tents which stretched out between the city and the amphitheatre. In many ways the whole scene with the natives, the elephants and the camels, resembled the midway piasance at the Chicago fair.

Flags and pennants almost buried Delhi and out of compliment to the nationality of the Viceroy there were a number of American flags in the decorations.

Lord and Lady Curzon were scheduled to arrive at noon but it was some little time after that hour before they appeared. They came on elephants with a small escort but with very little of the pomp and magnificence that marked their arrival.

The Princess and the Viceroy sat on a throne decorated with golden lions. As soon as they were seated he gave the signal and the Durbar began. He heard read a proclamation making Edward, Emperor of India, which was very short, then with a flourish of trumpets at the end, the bands played the national anthem and forty thousand troops outside the enclosure began a cheer which was taken up by the spectators and spread from the amphitheatre to the plain until a quarter of a million voices mingled in the tumult.

After quiet was restored Lord Curzon rose and made a short address of welcome and congratulations to the Rajahs and then announced that the imperial assemblage was dissolved.