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SECRETARY STAT... CHARTERS NUMBER... LARGE COMPANIES

Charter Granted Company at Dur... ham at \$50,000 Capital. Other... Large Companies Chartered.

Supreme Court Circles. Im... portant Decision. Mr. D. A. Tompkins to Speak at Club Banquet. Date Changed. No Wine to be Served.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina today...

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SQUIERS RESIGNS. Much Dissatisfaction About His Attitude On Issue of Pines Question. By Associated Press. Havana, Nov. 29.—The minister declined to be interviewed, but it can be ascertained that the Cuban government cabled a message of complaint to Washington against Squiers attitude on the Isle of Pines question, following his persistent opposition to the Anglo-Habian treaty which the Cubans have chosen to consider unreasonable. On receipts of Secretary Root's message with reference to the complaint, Squiers immediately cabled his resignation.

NEGRO BAPTIST MEET. Great Crowd of Well Known Negroes To Meet and Arrange Plans. By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 29.—In response to the call issued there will be a large number of well known negro preachers from different parts of the country in this city beginning tomorrow, including December 14th. The meeting is to organize a National Baptist Convention to be called the National Negro Baptist Evangelistic Convention, having for its view the perfection of plans for evangelistic work among the negroes of America.

PETITION FILED IN U. S. COURT. As To Prevent Terminal R. R. Association From Continuing Alleged Violation of Federal Laws. By Associated Press. St. Louis, Nov. 29.—Federal District Attorney Dyer filed a petition in the U. S. Circuit Court for an injunction to prevent the Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis from continuing the alleged violation of the Federal Laws. The allegation is made that the Terminal Association has destroyed trade and commerce and worked incalculable injury to the shipping interests of the Mississippi valley and its dissolution is asked.

19 VESSELS WRECKED. Storm Plays Havoc On Great Lakes—Life Lost—Fear For Eight Others. By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 29.—The reports show that 19 vessels were wrecked in the storm which swept over the Great Lakes Monday night and yesterday. One life is known to be lost and it is feared that eight others have perished as a result of the storm. Six vessels are missing.

CHINA AND JAPAN. Main Points of Negotiation Settled Between the Two Countries. By Associated Press. Tokio, Nov. 29.—The vital items of the negotiations between China and Japan have been amicably settled.

MERIWETHER TODAY GOES ON STAND. Midshipman Meriwether Now on Trial Testified in His Own Behalf. Said Branch had Always Been Unpleasant to Him Since They Met. By Associated Press. Annapolis, Nov. 29.—Midshipman Miner Meriwether, Jr., testified in his own behalf in the Court Martial. After being warned by the court that he was not obliged to commit himself he said Branch had been generally unpleasant to him from the time he first met him, and frequently told the witness he intended to bilge him.

REMATURE EXPLOSION. Beckwith Badly Injured in Explosion of Powder on Durham and Northwestern Railroad. Special to The News. Raleigh, Nov. 29.—Hilliard Beckwith brought here to the St. Agnes Hospital this morning to be treated for injuries received in a premature explosion of blasting powder on the Durham and Northern Railroad, near Apex, where the work of extension is in progress.

WORTHINGTON ARRESTED. Charged With Being Responsible For Wife's Death. Norfolk, Nov. 29.—George L. Worthington, husband of the young woman who was burned to death in her South Norfolk home as the result of an explosion of a lamp is alleged to have been knocked from her hand by Worthington. He is arrested, charged with being responsible for his wife's death. He will probably be permitted to attend the funeral in company with the deputy sheriff.

MCCURDY RESIGNS. Gives in Resignation Which Board of Trustees Accept. New York, Nov. 29.—The resignation of President McCurdy of the Mutual Life was accepted by the Board of Trustees.

THE NOTED GRAFTER, ALEX. HAMILTON, IS NOW IN PARIS. John C. McCall Testifies that Hamilton who Worked the New York Life for Thousands is Now in Paris. Will Ask Him to Offer Account.

Committee Issued Address to Policy-Holders Advising Them to Hold to Their Policies. Say Policy Holders are in Best Condition for Years.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 29.—Andrew Hamilton to whom the New York Life paid hundreds of thousands of dollars, charged to legal expenses has been located in Paris. John C. McCall, Secretary of the New York Life, and President McCall, testified to this effect before the Insurance Committee and said it was his intention to see Hamilton and induce him to return or, if not, to give an accounting for the money received by him from the New York Life.

STICKING BY PLEDGES. Farmers Are Holding Their Cotton in Mecklenburg. The farmers of Mecklenburg are pledging their portion of the cotton towards the retirement of the 3,000,000 bales like the burning of a broom-sedge field. At Douglas school house in Long Creek township last night, the names of 25 members of the club there enrolled to pledge 100 bales for 90 days. Indications from this township are that 500 bales will be pledged for this length of time. The farmers were much interested in the Association's movement and all showed a determined spirit to work for the success of their association. The officers elected for this club were Dr. W. P. Craven, president; Mr. J. C. Hutchison, vice-president; Mr. Mack Sample, secretary; Mr. J. W. Carr, treasurer, and Messrs. J. M. Wilson and J. C. Hutchison, delegates.

DENOUNCE ARGUMENT. German Embassy Denounces Agreement Drawn Under Dingley Act. By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 29.—The German government, through the Embassy here formally denounced the State Department agreement of July 10, 1900, drawn under the Dingley Act which regulates the admission of certain German products to the United States in return for minimum tariff rates on American products. The agreement will expire on March 1 next.

MORGAN SUCCEEDS SQUIRES. Former Minister to Korea Is Now Minister to Cuba. By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 29.—Edwin V. Morgan, Minister to Korea has been appointed Minister to Cuba to succeed Squires, whose resignation was accepted. Squires' retirement is based upon some ill feeling over his attitude toward the general propositions of the annexation of the Isle of Pines.

DIVIDEND OF 10 PER CENT. Declared on Delaware, Lackawanna and Western. By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 29.—An extra dividend of ten per cent on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western is declared. The action on regular dividend must be taken at the annual meeting in December.

NINE ARE DROWNED. Steamer Mataafa Went Ashore.—Nine Drowned. By Associated Press. Superior, Wis., Nov. 29.—The steamer Mataafa, which went ashore just north of the Government Piers yesterday and whose crew was forced to remain on board, went to the pier this morning and nine of the crew, including Chief Engineer William Most and Second Engineer Claude Farringer were drowned.

North Carolina Postmasters. By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 29.—Appointed for North Carolina, at Lynn, James B. Pace.

GAME TO BE RECEIVED BY THE NEWS IN DETAIL. As so much interest centers in the contest for the Southern championship on the gridiron at Norfolk tomorrow, The News has made arrangements with the Western Union Telegraph Company to secure the full details of the game, just as it happens in Norfolk.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS HERE. South Carolina Officials Spend a Few Hours in Charlotte. A special train bearing the members of the South Carolina railroad commissioners, and Scott P. L. McMannis, of the Charlotte division of the Southern, left Charlotte this morning to inspect the Southern's line in South Carolina. In the party were Col. J. H. Wharton, of Laurens, S. C.; Mr. B. L. Cougham, of Columbia and Mr. John H. Earle, of Greenville. The Southern's road will be inspected from the North Carolina to the Georgia border.

SURPRISES IN CASE OF MR. H. E. RUFTY. People Surprised at Decision of Jury. Judge Issues Bench Warrant for Rufty. New Venture of Rowan Farmer. To Grow Mulberry Trees. Special to The News. Salisbury, Nov. 29.—There were some surprising features in connection with the trial of Mr. H. E. Rufty who was on trial Monday and yesterday charged with the murder of Engineer Connell. Several surprises were in store. The jury, who for many years had been a distinguished member of the Salisbury Bar Association and who several years ago was honored with the presidency of the State Bar Association.

CHARLOTTE'S NEW HOSPITAL. Work on Mercy General Hospital Progressing Very Fast. Work on Mercy General Hospital, which is being erected on East First street by the Catholics of the city, is progressing rapidly and it is now thought that the hospital will be completed and ready for occupancy by the first of January. This hospital contains every modern appliance suitable for conducting a home for the sick. In a few days Mr. T. C. Toomey will leave for the North, the object of his visit being to ascertain the best kind of Turkish and electric baths.

Old Time Reception. At the home of Mrs. D. P. Brissie, No. 408 East Seventh street, a reception will be given Thanksgiving evening at early candle-light. The affair is to be of the "ye-olden" time character and all who come are requested to wear some kind of quaint costume. The reception is given for the purpose of raising money for church purposes. Delicious, old-time refreshments will be served, such as our grandmother's prepared. A silver offering will be taken at the door.

New Residents. Mr. W. J. Barnes and family, have moved here from Southwest Virginia, and for the present will make their home with Mr. P. L. Barnes, at No. 15 East Hill street. Mr. Barnes is a South-east and is employed at the Southern Railway shops at Spencer.

St. Louis, Nov. 29.—The sentence imposed on Senator Burton was six months in the Iron County Jail and a \$2,500 fine.

CHARLOTTE WILL RETURN THANKS IN HER CHURCHES. Special Services will be Held at First Presbyterian, Tryon Street Methodist, St. Peter's Episcopal, Lutheran and Other Churches.

Collections Will be Taken For the Orphans and the Poor and Needy. Special Music at Most of the Different Churches of the City. Charlotte will observe Thanksgiving Day tomorrow in her usual reverent style.

The Presbyterians of the city will unite at the First Presbyterian church, where Dr. J. R. Howerton, the pastor, will preach a special Thanksgiving sermon. Special music, appropriate to the day, has been prepared.

The Methodists of the city will gather at Tryon street church to hear Rev. Plato Durham, of Trinity church, who will preach a special sermon. At St. Peter's Episcopal church, Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt, will conduct the Thanksgiving services which will consist of Morning Prayer, Communion and Sermon. Tomorrow is also St. Andrew's Day with the Episcopalians.

At the Chapel of Hope, an elaborate programme has been prepared by Rev. J. H. Crosby, and Mr. C. P. Wilcox. The services will be held at 7.30 o'clock. The offering will be given to the Thompson Orphanage.

At all the churches where special services will be held tomorrow, collections will be taken for the orphans and for the poor and needy. Charlotte, as usual, will respond liberally to the call for help from those who are not able to help themselves.

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FUNERAL OF MR. W. B. RYDER. Will Be Held From St. Peter's Episcopal Church Tomorrow Afternoon At 4 o'clock. The body of Mr. W. B. Ryder will arrive in Charlotte tonight at 10:10 o'clock on train No. 35, and will be taken to the home of Mrs. C. Furber Jones, in Dilworth.

HYDRANTS TO BE EXAMINED. Chief W. S. Orr Preparing For the Coming Cold Weather. In view of the approaching winter, Chief W. S. Orr of the fire department will have all the hydrants in the city examined and put in good working order. Some of the hydrants in the Wards, and especially those that are located on the extreme edges of the city, have not been used in several years.

The Meeting Saturday. All the farmers in Charlotte township, and all the business men of the city who are interested in the welfare of the Southern Cotton Association will be present at the meeting of the Charlotte township club at the court house Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

Charlotte Boys Return. Cadets R. J. Brevard, Jr., and James F. Robertson, Jr., returned this morning from Lexington, where they have been attending the Virginia Military Institute. These two young men were of the oath bound 13 who suffered dismissal rather than apologize to Rev. F. C. Hickson, of Gaffney, S. C. All the Baptist congregations in the city are invited to attend this service.

First Cold Wave Comes in To-Night. The Temperature will Drop About 20 to 30 Degrees. The Cold Wave Comes from the Northwest and Will Extend South as Far as Gulf States. The first real cold wave of the season will strike Charlotte fore and aft tonight. It comes from the Northwest and the temperature will drop anywhere from 20 to 30 degrees.

Freezing Temperature. Washington, Nov. 29.—The first pronounced cold wave will extend over the eastern part of the country tonight and Thursday with freezing temperature as far South as the interior ports of the Gulf and South Atlantic States.

D. O. K. K.'S TONIGHT. Many Pythians and Candidates Are In Town For The Condonation. The Charlotte members of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan are anticipating a great time tonight. This is the annual fall ceremonial and a large number of the members of this order are here to participate in the exercises which will take place in Masonic Hall in the Piedmont building, commencing at sunset and continuing until early morning.

A Fine Wild Turkey. Mr. H. T. Rollins, the well-known mail clerk, today received from his brother, who resides at Jonesboro, a fine specimen of a wild turkey. The fowl was killed by Mr. Rollins near Jonesboro several days ago and was shipped by express to Charlotte. The gobble will grace the Thanksgiving table at Mr. Rollins' home tomorrow.

FROM DARK GLOOM OF RUSSIAN CHAOS, NO ECHO CAN COME. No News Can be Obtained of Interior Affairs Because of the Strike of the Telegraph Operators. All Telegraph Communication Cut Off.

St. Petersburg Military Officers Admit that No Reliance can be Placed on Line Regiments, Even Those at Capital. Russian Cruisers Arrive at Nagasaki. By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, Nov. 29.—The situation has again suddenly grown exceedingly grave. The Russian capital is shut off from all telegraphic communication with the interior.

The telegraph strike draws an impenetrable curtain between the capital and the provinces which in such a crisis renders the position of the government almost desperate. Employees of the office here are expected to walk out today. Only two lines are working out of St. Petersburg.

Communication with Sebastopol and Odessa has ceased. The telegraphers strike is the direct outgrowth of the government's circular prohibiting telegraph operators from joining the union.

Many Employes Strike. Warsaw, Nov. 29.—All telegraphers and postal clerks have struck and employes of gas works also have walked out.

TO SOLICIT FUNDS. For Library and New Dormitory at Davidson College. Some time ago Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the steel magnate, offered to give Davidson College \$20,000 for library purposes, provided a like sum was raised by the college.

THE FUNDERBURG CASE. Is Now In Hands of Jury.—Court To Observe Thanksgiving. In the Superior Court today the case of C. A. Funderburg against the Southern Railway was completed and was given to the jury this afternoon. Up to the hour of going to press the jury had not returned a verdict. This is a case wherein the plaintiff is suing the Southern for \$2,000 damages for alleged injuries received.

Berlin, Nov. 29.—Germany's portion of the Japanese loan is heavily over subscribed.