

BAPTISTS OF STATE WROG TO RALEIGH FOR CONVENTION

The Baptist Hosts From Four Corners of State Gathering at Raleigh. Over 500 Delegates Arrived and That Many More Expected.

Rev. F. D. Hale to Preach Opening Sermon this Evening. To Honor Beloved Dead. Many Suggested for Moderatorship. Gala Day for Wake Forest.

Special to The News. Raleigh, Dec. 6.—The Baptist hosts from all over North Carolina are gathering here to attend the State Convention of this denomination which meets in the Baptist Tabernacle this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. F. D. Hale, D. D., of the First Baptist church of Wilmington. After the sermon, the convention will organize for the election of officers.

Rev. B. H. Marsh, who has held the position of president of the Convention for the past 14 years, has declined reelection, "he will be named in his stead, is a matter of conjecture. Several prominent Baptists have been mentioned in connection with the position and any one of the 1,000 delegates who are expected, would consider it a great honor to be called upon to preside over the convention.

Tomorrow the members of the convention will leave on a special train for Wake Forest, where they go to attend the inauguration of Mr. Poter as president of that institution. The exercises at Wake Forest will be taken part in by a large number of the prominent Baptists of the State.

During the last year, the Baptist denomination in North Carolina lost four of its most distinguished ministers. They were Rev. A. C. Barron, of Charlotte; Rev. Thomas E. Skinner, of Raleigh; Rev. N. B. Cobb, of Sampson county; and Rev. L. R. Carrol, of Duplin.

As the delegates begin to gather the following prominent names are mentioned in connection with the Convention: T. M. Arrington, Moderator, of Nash; E. T. Ayvillet, of Elizabeth City; J. B. W. Winston, of Durham; Noah Blagg, of Scotland Neck; Ex-Governor C. B. Aycock of Goldsboro and W. C. Dowd of Charlotte.

MRS. BARRY REMOVED.

Had Had Officials at Bay Since Friday. Smoked Her Out.—In Pitiable Condition.

By Associated Press. Girard, Kans., Dec. 6.—Mrs. Ina Berry, who since Friday had held the town officials at bay from her effort in the toilet room of Frisco Railway coach on tracks here, was removed shortly before noon, after she had been partially overcome by fumes of amonia.

A bundle of rugs saturated with the drug had been pushed through the window of the toilet room. Before surrendering, Mrs. Berry fired one shot at her captors but without effect.

Mrs. Berry was removed to jail and placed under the care of the city physician. She was made confident that the attendants were working in her behalf and quieted down and talked rationally.

Emancipated by her long fast and weakened from loss of sleep and from exposure, the woman presented a pitiable appearance. Her clothes were torn, her face and hands badly soiled and her hair disheveled. Mrs. Berry will be delivered into the custody of the Probate Court.

A WOMAN CONFEDERATE.

New York Police Think Woman Helped in Big Theft.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 6.—That the larger portion of the \$200,000 worth of jewels stolen from a Paris traveling salesman in Birmingham, England, last March were disposed of in the Southern and Western cities in the United States by a woman confederate of the robbers is the opinion of the New York police.

Two necklaces valued at several thousand dollars, which were identified by the victim of the robbery as a part of the plunder, were found in a pawn shop here yesterday. It is said several persons are wanted in connection with the robbery and nothing will be made public until they are apprehended.

THE ADMIRAL'S REPORT.

Says "Military Administrative Authority" Is Necessary.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Necessary to the efficiency of the American Navy, in the opinion of Rear Admiral George A. Converse, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, is the introduction into the Navy Department of some "military administrative authority" to coordinate the technical work of the bureau for the organization and preparation of the fleet and to advise in all military matters.

HEAD KNOCKED OFF.

The Frightful Death of Consul General Parsons.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 6.—A dispatch to The Tribune from the City of Mexico gives further details of the accident in which James Russell Parsons, United States Consul General, lost his life here last night.

The open carriage in which he was driving with Mrs. Parsons and their son, was struck by an electric car. Mrs. Parsons was slightly injured. The boy escaped without a scratch.

The accident happened while Mr. Parsons and his family were going to the Central Station to bid farewell to their friends. The coachman tried to cross the street car track in front of a rapidly moving car, which struck the carriage with terrific force, crushing it against a trolley post.

Mr. Parsons' head struck the post, the whole top of the head being taken off.

The motorman and driver of the coach disappeared after the accident and have not yet been arrested.

THE INAUGURAL EXERCISES.

State Board of Agriculture Accept Invitation to Attend Exercises at Wake Forest.

Special to The News. Raleigh, Dec. 6.—The State Board of Agriculture in its annual session received the reports of Commissioner of Agriculture Patterson and State Chemist Kilgore and accepted the invitation to attend the inaugural ceremonies at Wake Forest Thursday for the induction of W. L. Poteat, president of the college.

The report of Commissioner Patterson showed \$96,525 sales of fertilizer tags for the year. They decreased about \$2,000 from last year. It is reported about \$12,000 additional will be required for the equipment of the agricultural building of the A. & M. College.

A committee was appointed to invite Gov. Glenn to meet with the board. The Governor declined the invitation to attend tomorrow especially to urge that provision be made for sending an exhibit illustrative of North Carolina resources through the Eastern States.

WAREHOUSEMEN MEET.

Annual Convention Now in Session—Many Subjects Discussed.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—The American Warehousemen's Association met in annual convention. The session will last through Friday. President W. T. Robinson, of Philadelphia, called the meeting to order and reported a very prosperous year for the Association.

In his report Secretary Reid called attention to the large amount of business for warehousing cotton, cement and a thousand other staples so that the receipts issued shall adequately represent the goods described therein and that such goods will be delivered promptly on demand.

He said, the integrity of these receipts could be guaranteed by the body of National standing those efforts may be crowned with success. Recommendation was made that an appropriation of \$6,000,000 for the Department of Agriculture be made by Congress for the establishment of Government commodity inspectors to be appointed by the laws of the Association do not conflict with the warehouse business of Southern men who may join the Association and whose business requires the handling of large quantities of cotton under conditions peculiar to that product and section of the country.

TUBERCULOSIS BILL.

Introduced by Representative Wiley of Alabama.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—An appropriation of \$100,000 for the National Tuberculosis Sanitarium is provided for in a bill introduced by Representative Wiley of Alabama.

The bill provides that the sanitarium is to be open to indigent persons of both sexes who are suffering from tuberculosis. The funds are to be used to pay the expenses of the Army and Navy as well as those honorably discharged from the service.

Florida, designated as a site for the sanitarium and it is provided that the Surgeon General of Public Health and Marine Hospital Service is to have full charge of the sanitarium.

STILL REFUSES FOOD.

Mrs. Berry in Undisputed Possession of the Railroad Coach.

By Associated Press. Girard, Kans., Dec. 6.—Mrs. Ina Berry today still held undisputed possession of the railroad coach on the tracks here in which she has been barricaded since Friday. Early today she went from the toilet room into the car aisle to get a drink. The first she has taken in four days. She still refuses food.

ODESSA STILL OPEN.

All Communication Between London and St. Petersburg Has Closed.

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 6.—Although public telegraphic communication between London and Odessa has entirely stopped, the foreign operators are still at their posts in the Odessa office and inform their friends in London daily that they are perfectly safe and so far no disturbance has occurred.

Supreme Court Decisions.

Special to The News. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 6.—The Supreme Court last evening delivered opinions in six cases.—Gattis vs. Avery from Burke, reversed. Furr vs. Johnson Railroad, from McDowell, new trial; Hamrick vs. Western Union telegraph Co. from Rutledge, new trial; Sprin Co. from Rutledge, new trial; Sprin Co. from Rutledge, new trial; Snow vs. Railroad from Henderson, new trial.

PENITENTIARY MAY BE USED FOR THE RELIEF OF INSANE

Governor Glenn Announces his Intention to Have Architects Examine Penitentiary to Find Out if it Might be Used for Relief of Insane.

Hospitals at Morganton and Raleigh Over-crowded. Prison Authorities Say Convicts Can be Kept Cheaper on State Farms and Public Works.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., 6.—Governor Glenn announces his intention to have architects examine the penitentiary building here in view of ascertaining the practicability of adapting it for use as a hospital for insane relief owing to the over-crowded condition at the present at the Raleigh and Morganton hospitals.

He takes this action so he may formulate a recommendation to the next Legislature.

He says that the prison authorities favor this and assure him they can much more economically keep convicts on State farms and public works.

LITTLE BREAD EARNERS.

Pennsylvania Public Education Association Supplies Money in Lieu of Their Earnings.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—At the season's first meeting of the Public Education Association at the Acorn Club, Miss Dora Keen, secretary of the organization, spoke of the new plan by which the association hopes to cope with violations of the child labor law—the scholarship idea as applied to the lower grades in the public school.

As outlined by Miss Keen, the society has awarded scholarships to fourteen children upon whose earnings families were dependent. The children have been obliged to return to school by the child labor law, but the sum of their earnings goes as before to those dependent upon them.

Careful inquiry into eighty-six cases which at first appeared to demand scholarships narrowed the actual instances of want to fourteen. Other cases will be taken up this winter.

Doctor Joseph Swain of Swarthmore College, who is president of the society, presided over the meeting. Doctor Carl Kelsey of the University of Pennsylvania spoke on "The Problems of Relief Raised by Compulsory Education." Benjamin C. Marsh, secretary of the Pennsylvania Society to Protect Children from Cruelty, addressed the meeting on "The Best Methods of Dealing With Truant and Undisciplined Children."

GREAT YEAR FOR MOOSE.

All Records Beaten With the Exception of That of 1902.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 6.—All records save that of 1904 have been broken by the moose hunters in Maine this season. The open time on this game closed last Thursday night. The total number of moose brought to Bangor up to that date is 214. Probably enough more were killed in remote places and yet to be brought in will bring the total up to 230 or more, as compared with 221 in 1904.

The receipts of deer to date have been 4,204, as compared with 4,295 in 1904. As the season has nearly two weeks yet to run, it is likely that the total for this year will be about 4,500. The record year for deer at Bangor was 1902, when 5,295 were received here. This is not likely ever to be equalled.

Game Commissioner Carlton thinks that the moose-shooting season, now from Oct. 15 to Dec. 1, should be shortened to one month—from Oct. 15 to Nov. 15, and that the deer season, now from Oct. 1 to Dec. 15, should begin on Oct. 1 and end on Dec. 1.

Severe weather is now driving the visiting sportsmen out of the woods, and what little hunting is done from now on will be done by natives.

MAY STRIKE AT MIDNIGHT.

Demand That Death Sentences Be Reversed.—Poland Free From Military Rule.

By Associated Press. Warsaw, Dec. 6.—The executive committee of the railroad employes union has telegraphed all station of the Russian railroads urging the men to begin a general strike at midnight unless the death sentences passed by the court martial at Samara on Sokoloff, an engineer, and other local leaders of the recent railroad strike at Samara, are reversed before that hour.

The abolition of the minor state of martial law was gazetted to-day and Poland is now completely freed from military rule.

DEPEW RESIGNED.

Senator Dewey Resigns His Directorship of the Equitable.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—Senator Dewey of New York has tendered his resignation of the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

ROYAL MARRIAGE.

American Heirless Joins British Peerage.

THIS WAS BUSY DAY IN SUPERIOR COURT

Sam. White, Colored Charged With Burglary. Mr. McRae to Defend Him. A Number of Smaller Cases were Disposed of During the Session of Court.

This has been a busy day in the Superior court and a lot of business has been transacted.

One of the most important cases that came up today was that of the charge of burglary against Sam White, a negro of the Huntersville section. The prisoner was arraigned this morning and as he was unable to employ counsel, the court appointed Mr. John A. McRae to defend him.

North Carolina is the only Southern State in which burglary is a capital felony. Owing to the circumstances in this case, it is highly probable that the Solicitor will not ask for a conviction in the first degree; and it is also probable that counsel for White will enter a submission for burglary in the second degree. In this case the sentence will be for a term of from 5 to 10 years.

A very interesting case was that of Henry Johnston, colored who was charged with an assault on Officer Christenburg; also resisting arrest. The jury found the prisoner guilty and the sentence of the court was that Johnston serve eight months on the county roads.

Frank Barret, charged with retailing, was made to pay the costs and he will be required to appear at court from term to term to show that he has not violated the liquor law.

Will Jackson one of the bunch of gamblers who was caught on East Sixth street several days ago, plead guilty to gaming and was sentenced to serve a term of four months on the county roads.

Jim Phillips, colored who was charged with larceny and carrying a concealed weapon was sentenced to 12 months on the county roads.

Earnest Neal who was originally charged with larceny was sentenced to four months on the county roads. The bill was changed to forcible trespass.

Frank Conser, the little negro boy, who has repeatedly taken different articles of merchandise from the Bee Hive, was sentenced to serve a term of six months on the county roads.

Son Barbour, charged with larceny, was given 12 months on the county roads.

Roy Monroe, charged with larceny, was convicted and sentenced to four months on the county roads.

Charles Ross, charged with stealing was sentenced to four months on the county roads.

Charles Williams and Esther Alexander, charged with fornication and adultery, were each given five months on the county roads.

The case of Lee Duran and his wife Beckie Duran, charged with retailing liquor was tried this morning. The jury had not reported at the hour of going to press.

HAIR TURNS WHITE IN NIGHT.

Young Clerk Accused of Robbing Mail Has Session of Horror Behind Bars.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—Whether it was worry, a wig or poor hair dye, the fact remains that John G. Waters' hair turned white overnight after he had been arrested for stealing from the mails.

Waters, who lives in Jersey City, was a mail clerk on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He took money from five test letters, and subsequently confessed that he had been stealing for four months.

He was arrested and put into a cell in the Harrisburg jail. When the iron-barred door was locked on him, his hair was dark brown. In the morning it was perfectly white. It has not the appearance of hair that has been dyed, and the police are sure that the clerk did not have a wig, and that even if he had, there would have been no opportunity for him to dispose of it.

United States Commissioner Wolf held the man in \$1,000 bail for trial.

TREE GROWS ROUND SHELL.

Eight-Pounder Falls to Prove Fatal to Monarch of Dry Creek, Virginia.

Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 6.—J. W. Huddleston, operating a sawmill on the James River and Kanawha turnpike, about three miles east of Dry Creek, recently struck a piece of shell, weighing about three or four pounds, which was in a large oak log and so smoothly grown over that it was not noticed.

The saw cut into the shell two and one-half inches, and sustained no damage, except requiring a new set of teeth. There were thirty-eight growths of wood over it. It was the butt end of an eight-pounder, with a heavy band of copper around. This shell was fired into the tree at the battle of Dry Creek, August 23, 1863.

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HOUSE FAVORS BILL PROVIDING LARGE AMOUNT FOR CANAL

Unanimous Consent of House Given for Consideration of Bill Appropriating \$16,500,000, for the Panama Canal. Mr. Williams Opposes Bill.

The Esch-Townsend Railroad Rate Bill is Reintroduced. Is Broader Than Before. Corroborates President's Ideas. Senator Lodge Introduces Tariff Bill.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—Unanimous consent was given in the House for the consideration of a bill appropriating \$16,500,000 for the Panama Canal. Mr. Williams claimed there should have been an itemized account of the expenditures.

Mr. Hepburn made a general speech on the canal and the progress of the work. Answering questions as to canal salaries, Mr. Hepburn said he could make a general statement that there were 26 salaries over \$5,000, 6 between \$4,000 and \$5,000; 55 between \$3,000 and \$4,000 and 136 between \$2,000 and \$3,000. These included the engineers of the high scale.

Mr. Fitzgerald, of New York, said he had been informed that \$10,000 a year was being paid to a press agent, but Mr. Hepburn said he knew nothing about that report. Mr. Williams declared the canal a non-partisan undertaking and said no one could claim credit for it. He intended to offer an amendment to reduce the sum of \$15,500,000 to an amount actually necessary to carry on the work to January 1 next.

Mr. Williams said he would object to the issuance of bonds as long as there were \$10,000,000 on deposit in the national banks without any interest.

Esch-Townsend Bill. The Esch-Townsend Railroad Rate Bill, which passed the House at the last session, has been redrawn and was reintroduced in the House today by Mr. Townsend.

The bill embraces all the features of the former measure, but specifies the particular things which may be done by the Inter-State Commerce Commission. In addition it has a publicity feature and gives the commission jurisdiction over refrigeration and terminal charges of a century.

It also directly prohibited the carrier from granting any shipper the privilege of collecting—its product and then getting a special rate under the short term provision for changing the rates.

As explained by Townsend, the "bill expresses the ideas of the President in his message."

A number of the annual reports of public officials were laid before the Senate and this was followed by the presentation of a number of petitions and bills.

Senator Lodge introduced the maximum and minimum tariff bill.

SENTENCED FOR 162 TIMES.

Cell Thomas Sheridan's Home for Quarter of a Century.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 6.—Thomas ("Hooker") Sheridan was returned to the county jail to serve his one hundred and sixty-second sentence. He has spent more than twenty-seven of his fifty-six years in jail and almost wholly for drunkenness and allied misdemeanors.

Sheridan was released, found intoxicated and again sentenced to thirty days in jail. The cell which Sheridan has occupied for a quarter of a century is reserved for him, no other prisoner being given lodgings there during Sheridan's brief incarcerations.

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Mr. John M. Craig returned to the city last evening after spending the Thanksgiving holidays at Hartwell, Ga., where he was the guest of Mr. Julian B. McCurry.

DEATH OF MRS. WEDDINGTON.

The End Came At Crewe, Va., This Afternoon At 2:10 o'Clock.

A long distance message from Crewe, Va., received this afternoon, states that Mrs. Clara Weddington, wife of Mr. Graham Weddington, died at her home at that place this afternoon at 2:10 o'clock.

The body will be prepared for burial at Crewe and will be brought to Charlotte, either tonight or in the morning. The funeral will take place sometime tomorrow afternoon, the hour to be named later.

The death of Mrs. Weddington will bring the keenest sorrow to many homes in Charlotte. For several years she made Charlotte her home and all who knew her were bound to her by the tenderest ties.

Mrs. Weddington had been in failing health for nearly two years. She returned from the West where she went in search of health some months ago and went to her home at Crewe, Va. From day to day reports were received in Charlotte that she was growing weaker and the family and friends of this popular young matron were conscious that the death angel was hovering near.

Before marriage Mrs. Weddington was Miss Clara Davis. She was about 23 years old and was one of the most lovable young women in Charlotte.

The hearts of many people in Charlotte will bleed when they learn that the gentle spirit has passed into the Beyond.

GOATS HOLD UP CAR.

Glendale Line Is Path of the Billys and They Refuse to Give Trolley Right of Way.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 6.—The Glendale electric car leaving the Casa Verdugo at 12:45 the other afternoon stopped on the high trestle at Ivanhoe just in time to avoid a head-on collision.

Two billygoats, north-bound, had reached the middle of the long span, and in spite of all signals persisted in keeping to the left track.

The car came to a stop twenty feet from the goats with the air brakes hard set.

"Toot, toot, toot, toot, toot," shrieked the whistle.

The derelicts shook their heads to the wind and braced themselves for the shock they expected.

Several passengers left the car and proceeded cautiously ahead. One of the goats weakened in his purpose and made to the edge of the trestle. He peered over and observed that it was about fifty feet down, and that the water in the Los Angeles river is not deep enough for a high dive.

Deliberately and with remarkable presence of dignity the goats proceeded on their original course—north-bound on the south-bound track. The motorman yielded the right of way and did not proceed until they were past, on their way to Tropic.

DANGER OF REPEAL.

Of the Law Giving \$100,000 to the Public Schools.

State Superintendent Joyner has sent to the various county superintendents a letter of instructions with blank applications for and from the second hundred thousand dollars. It is said that something is radically wrong when the wealthiest counties apply for aid from this fund, and if the county board of education and boards of county commissioners would co-operate with the State Superintendent in the strict enforcement of the law, a rich county would not secure money from this source.

Superintendent Joyner says there is danger of the repeal of the law. He writes to the county superintendents: "With the increase in taxable property and in the assessment thereof in every county in the State, the legal demands for aid this year, ought not to be so great as last year, and will not be, if the law is obeyed. If I can secure through your co-operation a strict compliance with the law, I believe that appropriation will be more than sufficient for all legal demands this year. Unless I can secure a strict compliance with the law in the appropriation of the second hundred thousand dollars, there is great danger of the repeal of the law."

Counties having more than a few months term in any township, and less than others, must at least one-sixth of their county fund to aid all their school districts to have a four months term before they will be entitled to aid from the second hundred thousand dollars.

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He says the mutilation is done by thieves who want the hair to use in the manufacture of hair ropes. Mr. Elam claims that the men who rob the cattle of their tails slip up behind them while they are lying down and with a sharp knife do the work quietly.

Toss McClaye of Payne Creek also in Tehama county, went to Red Bluff and swore to a complaint charging that a neighbor had stolen seventeen hogs from him. Later sixteen of the hogs turned up at the same place, but all of them had been clipped clean of ears.

These two complaints coming so closely together, are a novelty in criminal proceedings in Northern California.

JURY CAN'T AGREE.

In Case of State of S. C. For Damage of \$200,000 Jury Fail to Agree.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 6.—After being out 36 hours, the jury was unable to agree on a verdict in the suit of the State of South Carolina for \$200,000 damages alleged to have been received on the State Capitol by defective construction under direction of F. P. Milburn.

WINNERS' REPORT DELAYED.

President Taylor Orders Delay For Purpose of Revision.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 6.—The National Ginnery report has been delayed by an order of President J. A. Taylor, who claims that revisions are to be made. President Taylor is in Oklahoma City and has advised Secretary Blackwell by wire to delay the report.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Postmasters appointed for North Carolina:—At Doxson, Letitia W. Harkrader; at Wallace, R. B. Colwell.

GENERAL CHAFFEE PREDICTS WE ARE TO HAVE MORE WAR

At a Public Reception Held in His Honor Last Night in Los Angeles, He Predicts that the United States will Again Go to War.

Gen. Chaffee Says that When that War Does Come the United States Must be Intelligently Prepared to Prosecute it to Bitter End.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 6.—A despatch to the Chronicle from Los Angeles, Cal., says: At a public reception in his honor last night, Lieut. Gen. and Chief of Staff, Gen. Chaffee, of the United States Army, predicted that the United States will again go to war.

This prediction was made in General Chaffee's address regarding the work of the army. He said: "Gentlemen, war will come again. There are plenty of men in this room who will see our country at war again; not on our own soil, perhaps. You must remember that we have now become one of the nations of earth. We have great interests to defend.

"When that war comes we must be intelligently prepared for it. Modern war is not what war used to be. No one is now fitted to command troops who is not a scientific and well trained man. Modern war must be scientifically treated to save human life.