

Negroes Warned To Leave State Of Tennessee

Alleged Night Riders Reported to Have Warned Many Negroes to Flee State—Number of Families Do as Ordered.

Home of One of Those Warned Burned by Midnight Band—Would Rid Section of All Negroes—A Full Story.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 13.—As a result of operations of a gang of Night Riders in Henricetta vicinity of Chattanooga, this state near Montgomery county line, a number of negro families have left the state. Within the last two weeks warnings have been sent out that this section of the country would be rid of negroes.

Williams was warned to leave about a month ago and did.

Several nights ago a band visited the former home of Williams and burned his house and stable. Many shots were fired about the place.

All of the tenants on the farm of Ed. Gaston have moved away on account of threats.

Henry Evans, colored, is said to have been called upon by a band of 50 men and to have lost no time in getting away.

FOUNDERS DAY AT Y. M. C. A.

Rev. W. M. Hunter Will be Speaker at Meeting for Men.

The meeting for men to be held Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Young Men's Christian Association promises to be the most interesting one.

The meeting will be held for all men, whether connected with the Y. M. C. A. or not. Special music will also be provided.

The meeting will take place in Hanna Hall.

HEARING POSTPONED.

Big Suit Between Rockingham Power Company Stockholders for Control.

A hearing before Judge Webb between the two warring factions of the Rockingham Power Company was postponed until December when the matter will come up in chambers at Laurinburg.

This is an action in which the fight is between the North Carolina stockholders of the company, headed by South-Row & Co., of Wilmington, and the Northern stockholders, for the control in this \$1,000,000 company.

A Horse Badly Hurt.

A horse hitched to a small wagon on Vance street, before the home of Mr. L. B. Johnston, became entangled in the lines this morning and fell to the ground. He was evidently hurt, a small white foal came to his aid after some time and got his head free, thus preventing the animal's breaking his neck.

Several colored men passed by on the other side but the little boy stood manfully by the prostrate animal until a lumber wagon came along and two colored men in it got off and cut the harness off the horse. He was badly mangled and bleeding.

Baptists of Virginia

Richmond, Va., Nov. 13.—Between 600 and 700 delegates and almost an equal number of visitors have come to Richmond for the annual convention of the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

The convention has its formal opening in the First Baptist church this evening and the sessions will continue until Wednesday.

In addition to the usual routine of business to be brought before the association there will be a number of addresses on education, and the plans for building a great Baptist male and female college in Richmond will be outlined.

The commission entrusted with the task of raising a \$50,000 endowment for the proposed college will report gratifying progress.

Contest For Offices In Federation of Labor

By Associated Press. Denver, Colo., Nov. 13.—Rumors of contests for official honors in the American Federation of Labor are beginning to be heard, although the election of officers does not take place until the latter part of next week.

No one is mentioned as the opponent of Mr. Gompers for re-election but there is a report that Thomas L. Lewis, who succeeded John Mitchell as president of the United Mine Workers of America, will oppose Mr. Mitchell for the position of second vice president of the Federation.

Junior Order to Have Thanksgiving Special to The News.

Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 13.—In answer to a call by State Councilor Brewer, of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, the three councils of the order in this city will probably join in a suitable and appropriate Thanksgiving Day service, to be held in the lodge rooms of the order. This is one of the greatest strongholds of the order in this state and the membership is increasing at a rapid rate.

Texas Lumbermen Meet.

Houston, Texas, Nov. 13.—The large crowd of visitors already in Houston for the fall carnival was increased this morning by the arrival of several hundred prominent lumbermen, come to attend the annual session of the Texas Hoo-Hoo and Lumbermen's Club. The lumbermen will remain in the city two days. Several business sessions are scheduled but the greater part of the time has been left open for the enjoyment of the carnival parades and other festivities.

There will be an important meeting of the members of the intermediate department of the Boys' Club of the Young Men's Christian Association tonight at 8 o'clock. All members of this department are urged to be present.

"Tar Heels" to See The Game

Charlotte Alumni of The University Believe Richmond Game Will Be Better Than is Generally Expected.

In spite of the advance information sent out from certain quarters that the University of Virginia would "wallop" Carolina in the game at Richmond, Va., on Thanksgiving Day there is a feeling of confidence among "down homeers" there will be no "walloping" at all. On the other hand Tar Heels in every part of the state believe if there is any wallowing done Carolina will come in for her share of it.

North Carolina has been materially benefited, however, in the loss of Captain Thomas, a Charlotte boy, who was hurt in a practice game at Chapel Hill yesterday afternoon. Captain Thomas will be out of the Virginia game and his absence from the line will be felt, but the boys who have played with him for two seasons will go into the game with the same determination to win as though their captain was holding down his usual position.

From indications Charlotte and this immediate section of the state will, as usual, send a full aggregation to Richmond to see the game. Both the Seaboard and Southern railroads will operate special trains from Charlotte to Richmond and as the round trip fare is only \$5 a good many alumni and their friends will take the trip. Both specials will leave Charlotte the night before Thanksgiving at about 8 o'clock and will arrive in Richmond the following morning for breakfast. Returning trains will leave Richmond after the theatricals close and will reach Charlotte the next morning about ten o'clock. Both trains will carry pullmans.

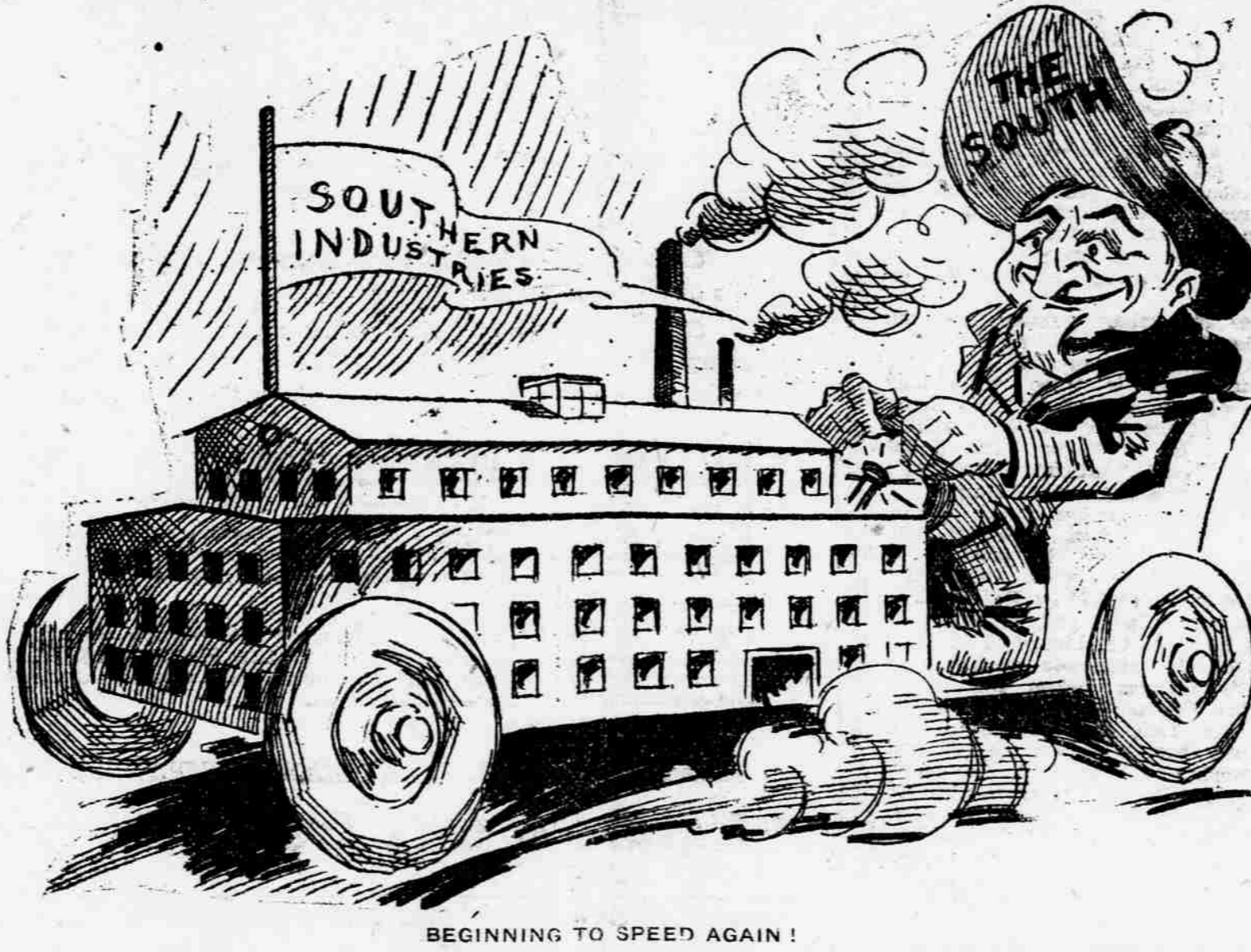
Funeral of Mrs. Stone.

The funeral of Mrs. Mabel Clark Stone, wife of Mr. Edward Stone, whose death occurred last night at half past 8 o'clock at her home, No. 1119 South Caldwell street, was held from the house this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. A. L. Coburn. The pallbearers were: Messrs. W. W. Cole, H. C. Fite, J. R. Faulkner, J. H. Nevin and L. R. McCull.

Mrs. Stone is survived by her husband and a child, two weeks old; also her father, Mr. W. S. Clark, and three brothers and three sisters.

Messrs. J. P. Stowe, A. Morris McDonald and Lieutenant Oliver H. Dockery, U. S. A., left yesterday for Mangum to spend a few days in the hunting fields.

Rev. Frank Dugley Jones, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church, in Dilworth, was called to Alken, S. C., yesterday owing to the critical illness of Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. Wyma.



THE TARIFF ON TOBACCO UNDER DISCUSSION

Washington, D. C., Nov. 13.—Tobacco and articles manufactured from tobacco, coming under schedule P of the Dingley tariff law, are being considered today at a public hearing before the House Committee on Ways and Means which has in hand the work of preparing a readjustment of the tariff law for presentation to the special session of congress to be called next March.

Total importations of unmanufactured tobacco for the year 1907 were valued at \$29,960,183, yielding the government a revenue of \$26,125,047, which indicates the importance of this article in considering any readjustment of the tariff. The exports amounted to \$33,377,298.

Don't Want Change.

Hearing on the tobacco schedule was completed at the morning session, none of the 10 representatives of tobacco growers of New England, Florida and Georgia desiring a change in the tariff on tobacco leaf.

It is not expected that any change in the present rates of duty on tobacco or manufacturers of tobacco will be recommended by committee.

Fine Progress on 8-Story Building.

Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 13.—The excavation work is about completed and material is being placed on the ground for the handsome 8-story office building to be erected by Mr. H. Clay Grubb on the site of the old burned Marion House, corner of Main and Inn streets. When completed this will be one of the handsomest buildings in the Carolinas.

Salisbury Choral Society Gives Concert

Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 13.—The Salisbury Choral Society, under the direction of Prof. Nelson V. Taylor, a noted local musician, gave its first public concert in the auditorium of the graded school last night to an appreciative audience.

The society is composed of the best local talent. The proceeds of last night's entertainment will be added to the school library fund.

LAND TRANSFERS.

Charlotte Real Estate Changes Hands at Good Prices.

Mr. A. M. McDonald has sold to Mr. K. R. Trotter a building lot on Elizabeth avenue, adjoining the new residence of Mr. N. J. Weeks. The deal was negotiated by Morris E. Trotter.

A man cannot serve two masters any more than woman can serve style and comfort.

Steals Keys From Postmaster And Robs Office

Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 13.—Yesterday morning Postmaster C. E. Fesperman, of East Spencer, upon arising, discovered that his sleeping apartments had been entered through a window and the pockets of his trousers robbed of a watch and keys.

Investigation revealed the fact that the robber used the keys to enter the store of Mr. Fesperman nearby, in which the East Spencer postoffice is located, and had made off with two dollars in cash, a quantity of stamps and some merchandise.

There is no clue to the identity of the thief, although officers were at work today on the case.

Hamm, Westphalia, Germany, Nov. 13.—Rescue operations to reach the men entombed in the Radbod Mine, where the explosion of fire-damp occurred yesterday, with result in a great loss of life, have not yet been completed. The authorities estimate that there are still 369 miners below the ground, but no hope is entertained that they can be saved.

The mines are being walled in, in an endeavor to choke the fire. Thirty more dead bodies were brought up from the shaft this morning. The scenes witnessed are pitiful in the extreme.

The wives of the imprisoned miners are demanding why the authorities keep their husbands below ground and several of the women have become insane and been taken to the asylum. There is danger of further explosions in the mine from the extensive stores of dynamite at the bottom of the pit.

Mrs. Reid's Condition Is Critical

By Associated Press. Denver, Colo., Nov. 13.—Weakened by disease and drugs Mrs. Allen F. Reid, who threatened the life of Mrs. Genevieve Chandler Phipps with dynamite Monday, may never live to undergo the experiences of the prison cell or madhouse as a consequence of her daring attempt at extortion.

The latest information reaching the Chief of Police is that Mrs. Reid's condition was extremely critical. A message came from her husband in whose care Mrs. Reid was placed by order of the Chief.

DAVIDSON-WAKE FOREST.

Plan on Foot for Annual Thanksgiving Game Here Between These Two Teams.

On account of the Virginia Military Institute cancelling the game on Thanksgiving Day at Lynchburg with Davidson College it is very likely that Davidson College and Wake Forest will play here on this date. Wake Forest is just re-entering football, after being out since 1893, and of course does not have a very strong team this year, but it is expected that in a year or two they will get back in their old form and as in the days past have one of the strongest teams in the South.

A movement is on foot to have the Davidson-Wake Forest game an annual event in Charlotte, as there is no big football game now held on Thanksgiving Day between Richmond and Atlanta and it is believed that a large crowd will assemble in Charlotte who cannot get to those places. People turning out in large numbers to Thanksgiving games will not go to games at any other time during the season.

PERSONAL.

Mr. H. W. Clifford, of Statesville, was in the city today.

Mr. J. A. Martin, of Hickory, was here today.

Mr. Joe Cooper, of Louisville, was here today.

Mr. W. E. Moore, of Forest City, was in the city today.

Mr. T. V. Fry, of Hickory, was here today.

Mr. C. M. Hughes, of Washington, D. C., was at the Central today.

Mr. Jas. R. A. Wilson, of Greensboro, was in the city today.

Mr. E. P. Green, of Davidson, was here today.

Messrs. Julian Wodard and J. A. Kelly, of Asheville, were in the city today, stopping at the Selwyn.

James Turner, a well known farmer youth, 17 years old, fatally shot a negro boy at Garner, this county, this morning in a quarrel. Turner was not arrested.

At Wendell, Ed. Perry fatally wounded another negro in a drunken quarrel. Perry escaped.

The Southern Detective Bureau is chartered to organize and train a corps of detectives for service in North Carolina, with headquarters at Wilmington. Capital is \$5,000, by S. H. Renfrow and others.

W. E. Bell, of Monroe, was brought to the penitentiary today to serve a four years sentence for embezzlement of \$1,200 from the Singer Sewing Machine Company.

He was in charge of a Monroe officer. He has a wife and three children.

FOURTEEN WILL EXHIBIT.

This Number of Firms Will Have Space at Municipal Convention.

Fourteen dealers and manufacturers of municipal machinery and appliances have signified their intention of having an exhibit here during the session of the convention of municipal officials, which will be held here on the 17th and 18th. These are as follows:

- The Thomas B. Whitted Company, Charlotte, engineering contractors, The Neptune Meter Company, of New York, Water and gas meters, The Edison Portland Cement Company, New York, Hersey Manufacturing Company, South Boston, Mass., Pittsburg Meter Company, Pittsburg, Pa., Water and gas meters, W. M. Toy & Company, Sidney, Ohio, Street scrapers, The Virginia Bridge and Iron Company, Roanoke, Va., Lynchburg Foundry Company, Lynchburg, Va., Southern Machinery and Equipment Company, Lynchburg, Va., The Thompson Leter Company, Brooklyn, N. Y., Stone & Barringer, Charlotte, office supplies and filing systems.

Dr. Lyerly Accepts Call To Iredell Churches

Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 13.—Rev. Dr. J. M. Lyerly, of Crescent, this county, has been secured as pastor of the Reformed church at Mt. Tabor, Hedrick's Grove, Jerusalem and Bueck's. (Dr. Lyerly is one of the leading divines in the Reformed church in North Carolina.)

He was the candidate on the recent state Republican ticket for superintendent of public instruction.

LOOKS LIKE SNOW.

Temperature Remained Stationary Throughout the Day.

The weather observer does not predict snow in his forecast today, but from every indication the clouds point that way. The temperature has remained practically stationary throughout the day and unless the mercury rises up people of Charlotte will not be surprised to see the ground covered with snow before tomorrow morning. The temperature this morning at 6 o'clock was 33 degrees.

There will be a meeting of Charlotte Chapter R. A. M. in the Piedmont building tonight at 8 o'clock. All Chapter Masons are invited.

The Emperor Of China Taken To Death Chamber

Plan Mammoth Warehouse

By Associated Press. New Orleans, La., Nov. 13.—Although the convention of the Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union and the other business interests of New Orleans, will hold joint sessions and put a plan for a mammoth warehouse in New Orleans into definite shape.

TRYON STREET STEWARDS.

Chosen for Next Year at Last Quarterly Meeting.

At the fourth quarterly meeting for Tryon Street Methodist church Wednesday night the following stewards were elected for the ensuing year:

- Messrs. D. H. Anderson, J. B. Ivey, A. H. Weaver, M. F. Kirby, E. C. Watson, J. W. Wadsworth, Dr. A. M. Whisnant, P. C. Whitlock, Joe McLaughlin, S. H. Hilton, Fred McGinn, Dr. W. M. Roby, L. L. Caudle and J. Y. Wedding.

At the last meeting Mr. E. A. Cole presided, Sunday school superintendent, and M. F. Kirby district steward.

MR. R. R. King Seriously Hurt by a Fall.

Mr. R. R. King, of Kingwood, one of Mecklenburg's best known citizens had the misfortune to fall yesterday and break his leg, at the hip. Owing to Mr. King's extreme age, he being over 80 years, the injury is considered serious.

Mr. King is the father of Miss Lelia King, daughter of the Y. W. C. A.

Traffic Bureau May Be Added

Greater Charlotte Club Hears Mr. T. L. Black Tell of Success he Has Had in Collecting Claims of Shippers

Before the standing committee of the Greater Charlotte Club, meeting at the Selwyn last night, Mr. T. L. Black outlined the methods he has pursued and the success he has had in the conduct of a traffic bureau in this city. The club has a special committee on freights and freight rates, which has under consideration recommending to the club some kind of close connection or alliance with Mr. Black's bureau.

What Mr. Black has done since the first of January when he established his traffic bureau is remarkable. He stated that he had handled something like \$50,000 worth of claims against the railroads. Of this amount 90 per cent had either been collected or was in a way to be collected. Ten per cent had been found to be uncollectible, either because the claims were not well founded or for other reasons. Of the amount of claims he had handled he had actually collected 50 per cent.

Mr. Black had done this without friction with the railroads. He had needed to go to court in a single instance, and as a matter of fact had taken out of court a number of claims which had been in litigation.

Mr. Black was for a number of years in this city freight agent of the Southern Railway and before coming here had experience in this branch of the road's work. He is therefore familiar with the tariffs of the railroads and has also acquired an intimacy with the rules and rulings of the state corporation commission, which are valuable to him in operating the institution he has established.

Several members of the club testified to valuable work that Mr. Black had done for them in collecting claims. At no little length the committee present discussed ways and means for securing the services of Mr. Black for the Greater Charlotte Club, both for the serving of members who belonged to the club and in the way of supplying information as to freight rates to new industries which contemplate coming to this city. The committee profited by the suggestion of the members and took the subject under further deliberation.

The committee were boiling over with enthusiasm on the subject of securing new members. The campaign now being so actively pushed is to secure 500 members by December. There will be a meeting of Charlotte Chapter R. A. M. in the Piedmont building tonight at 8 o'clock. All Chapter Masons are invited.

A girl regards her life as a failure if she has not succeeded in making a fool of at least one man.

According to Report the Ruler of Chinese Empire Can Only Live Short While—His Successor to Throne.

One Rumor is to Effect That Emperor is Dead—Wu Ting Fang Comments on News Sent Out.

By Associated Press. Peking, Nov. 12.—The Emperor of China was reported dead at 4 o'clock this afternoon. It had, however, been impossible to secure official confirmation of this announcement up to 6 o'clock this evening. His Majesty was transferred to the death chamber at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. At that hour he was still breathing.

Two imperial edicts were issued from the palace this afternoon in quick succession. The first named Prince Chun, Regent of Empire, and the second appoints his son, Pu Wei, heir presumptive. Simultaneously with the removal of the emperor from the winter palace to the death chamber in the forbidden city, members of Grand Council assembled in the palace. The Dowager Empress was present at this meeting, and is reported to have swooned. At half past four this afternoon a palace official high standing said the Emperor was still alive. All government officers are alerted. The palace is crowded with officials.

Prince Chun is a brother of the Emperor. His name is Tsai Feng and he succeeded to the title of his father, Prince Chun, in 1891.

The last illness of the Emperor assumed a serious aspect a fortnight ago. It was then declared he was suffering from grave intestinal complaint. He has persistently refused to accept western medical attendance, although home medical attendants have stood ready to give their services.

Wu Ting Fang Comment. Washington, Nov. 13.—The Associated Press dispatches gave first news of the death of the Emperor. When they were shown to Minister Wu Ting Fang, the minister commented:

"But reports of his death have been received before." He added, however, that while he had not been notified, such notification was not to be expected immediately after death on account of the commotion which would follow the demise of the Emperor. The Minister explained that the Emperor's death at this time would not interfere with the policy of reform which had been adopted and partially put into practice by the Chinese government. Wu explained that as the Emperor had no direct descendants the infant son of the brother of the Emperor would probably be called to the throne.

No Definite Information. Peking, Nov. 13.—This rumor if true would explain two edicts issued late this afternoon regarding the resignation of the Empire. Foreign residents of Peking are confused by the sudden developments of today and various reports and rumors emanated from the palace.

It is absolutely impossible to obtain any confirmation officially of the reported death of the Emperor. The condition of the Dowager Empress. Edicts of today bear the name of Kiang-Hsi which indicates he was still alive at the hour members of the grand council were in conference at the palace. This was at two o'clock in the afternoon. The second edict named the Hu Wei, son of Prince Chun, a child five years old, to be trained in the palace for succession to the throne. This makes him heir presumptive.

Peking, Nov. 13.—It is reported that the dowager empress is also dying.

D. K. E. Frat Men Hold Banquet

New York, N. Y., Nov. 13.—Nine hundred members of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity are to gather about the banquet board of the Waldorf-Astoria tonight as a fitting climax to the big convention of the society which had its beginning in New Haven last Wednesday and was continued in Hartford yesterday.

The banquet promises to be one of the most notable affairs of its kind that has taken place in the metropolis in a long time. Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati; brother of President-elect Taft, is to act as toastmaster and among the notable speakers will be Secretary of the Navy, Metcalf; Senator Beveridge, of Indiana; Senator Brandegee, of Connecticut; and ex-Governor Black, of New York. It is also expected that Hon. Cullum Menow, Yale '84, will attend and contribute to the toasts. Cullum, who recently arrived in this country as a special envoy with Prince Tang Shaoyi, was coxswain of the Yale '83 varsity boat and is the only Chinaman in the world who can wear the varsity "Y." He has the distinction also of being the only Chinese member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.