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Elect the Mayor From the Board Of Aldermen

Board Accept Mr. E. T. WER 200 PEOPLE Canster's Compromise Measure, Bringing Peace and 1.%, mony.

Revised Charter 1. 2pted Practically as A. red Aldermen.

e of 10, agreed upon terms put out of commission. atisfaction, at a conference ommissioners is elected. One of the numbers of the proommissioners is elected.

an opportunity of getting to of escape to others. policy so it occurred to me that you! The screams of those imprisoned

or two members of the suffocated. out capressed themselves as being

The Aye and No Vote. a in the idention of the measure by and registered mail was saved. tube of 11 to six. The aye and no was as follows:

Ayes:

1,000

Elricontriele. The committee of 10 did not vote as

multity of the membrs had declar-

for the two bodies to decide what plied to. sulerson suggested that the Mexico.

finite he discussed from first to last, staning at the first provision and go-This was not the idea of the If an if was thought much valuable d be wasted because there a few serious differences to hould be a conference be. By Associated Press. Mr. Cansler contended with lasers and the committee for Washington, D. C., Feb. 16,-Admiral

the committee of 10 have agreed review by the president. mayor should be elected by dere is not much of an opportuniolding together, and it has ocin me that you might agree a compromise measure.

in a considerable element in By Associated Press, (Continued on page 2)

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Get the Business.

Mexico City, Feb. 16.—Between 250 and many injured in a fire which destreyed the Flores Theatre in the Upon by The Special City of Acapulco yesterday night. The news of the disaster reached this Committee - Election of city yesterday afternoon, telegraphic communication with Acapulco having been destroyed owing to the fact that the telegraph office adjoining and of aldermen and the char- the theatre was burned and all wires

The floor of the theatre was a wooden affair and last night over one hen they accepted a com- thousand people crowded into it to are offered by Mr. E. T. witness a special performance, given equiring the board to elect in honor of Governor Damian Flores, for from a member of the of the State of Guerrero, who was

the meeting Mr. Cansler gram consisted of a series of movthe members of the board and ing pictures. While the operator was alttee of 10 would consider exhibiting these, a film caught fire "The majority of the and a blaze was quickly communicadisagreed with the recom- ted to some bunting which had been the committee of 10 that used for decorative purposes. In an be elected by the incredibly short time the flames "Now I assume you spread to all parts of the structure. board who have There were but three narrow exits, that the mayor shall be elected and the panic-stricken audience rushcople would not likely be moved ed to these, many falling and being both sides stick there is not crushed, their bodies choking the way

were terrifying and heart-rendering. Owing to the rapidity with which the It Cansler was asked to state his fire spread and to its intense heat, apposition, which he did clearly; and it was impossible to attempt rescue was evident, even before he finished work and those imprisoned were litwhiching that it has met with favor, erally roasted alive, as the fire burn-Ever before the discussion which fol- ed with little smoke and few were

onversed and willing, for the sake, were confined to the attempt to save and a mutual agreement, adjoining buildings and they succceeded so that the property loss was small. The telegraph office, post office After a lengthy discussion by both and customs house were damaged des the question was called, results but all of the government records Heart-Rendering Scenes.

Today pitiful scenes of grief are being enacted in the streets of the little west coast port. Men, women and children are wandering from place to place, hunting relatives or out a few able-bodied men. friends. Many of the dead are from the first families of the state, the affair at the theatre being a social event of considerable importance. and calling out the wealthiest and beneath the judge. oldest families for miles around. In some instances entire families were wiped out of existence. The municipal authorities caused large trenches to be dug and into these the remains of the dead were laid. According to the telegrams received from these, recognition of any of the dead has been an impossibility, owing to the fact that the bodies were burned in most cases to a crisp.

Telegrams to the American consul themselves in favor of the proposi- at Acapulco by the Associated Press asking for the names of the Ameri- stand. She told her name and her can dead have as yet not been re-

Acapulco, on the west coast of the what should not be. After State of Guerrero, is one of the three Mayor Franklin stated that important ports of the Pacific coast of the election of the mayor of Mexico. Nearly all of the steam- Sunday, the day before he was killed." martiled first "and then I think ship lines make it a port of call and the 'arbor is accounted the best in ble to speak.

on through until the last was Plans of The Big Fleet

of agreeing upon terms of Sperry today sent by wireless to the disfaction to both and sug- navy department the names of the bat-The questlin of the mayor tleships of his fleet which will rewith the committee with-main at anchor in Hampton Roads until after March 4th, in order to send battalions from their crews to the in-We stage of the conference Mr. augural parade in Washington.

asked to state his proposi- These vessels are the Connecticut. of he detag so he declared that Virginia, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Georthe bea of his own, that he had gia, Illinois, Kearsarge and Kenlibrary it to any of the committueky, the latter three of which will and that it should be clear- be placed out of commission after their serstood that it was not "cut and arrival at their home navy yards.

The remaining eight battleships, the Tennessean, I or Senator Carmacle don't propose to rehash all 1 which have completed the cruise of must die around the world, will leave Hampton "Col. (and he denounced Carmack vigorously and have agreed to elect the repairs immediately after inspection as an ingrate. His manner so alarmete the people and you would not by the admiral, which will take place ed me that I told him I would confer I assume that you gentlemen of Roads for their home navy yards for to moved. Likewise you gentle as soon as soon as practicable after the

Victims of Theatre Fire

of electing the mayor by the Washington, D. C., Feb. 16.-No said." The note referred to was one written by Col. Cooper to Senator Car-Proposed of a representative body Acapulco, Mex., Sunday night, according the latter with ing to a dispatch received at the state death, if the editor referred to him

lepartment. Over 200 people were burned to

leath, according to Consul Moorehead. Camden, S. C., on legal business He crowd than usual gathered at West- inson is the mother of Mr. L. H.

will be gone several days. ment by King Edward, who was accom- her 80th year. Mr. W. S. Lee, of the Southern Pow- panied to the function by Queen Alexer Company, was in Gastonia today on andera, Prince and Princess of Wales, **** a business trip.



Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 16.--Just one

one exception to the iron-clad rule.

"Any ladies who wish to attend.

Judge Hart arranged space within

When Attorney-General McCarn.

reading the indictment, reached the

with malice aforethought, murder E

W. Carmack." the widow collapsed,

and for a long time lay with her head

"Call the first witness," said the

Then to the surprise of every one

the attorney general said: "Call Mrs

The widow was half carried to the

husband's occupation in a trembling

band alive?

"When did you last see your hus-

"Oh God; ch Gcd," she sebbed, "On

For several moments she was una-

"When did you hear from him last?"

"By telephone Monday, a little while

The defense objected, and it was

Carmack. He said be spent all of Sat-

urday, November 7, and Sunday, No-

vember Stir, the day before the mur-

der, with Schator Carmack. He saw

vember 8th at the Tulane by appoint-

and it makes little difference whatever

I do, but if my name again appears in

"What was said about a note?"

"He said that he had written Car-

"Did you communicate to Carmack

"I told Carmack what Cooper had

Opening of Parliament.

mack a note that could not be mis-

with Senator Carmack.

By Associated Press.

the threats of Col. Cooper'

understood.

again.

"After discussing a personal matter

"What was the conversation?"

upon the shoulder of her sister.

Take the Fight On To Raleigh Those Opposed to Char-

ter Planning to Fight it In The Legislature-Will Get More Peti-

month within a day from the date the and the committee of ten at last night's first attempt was made to secure a jury, the trial began of Col. Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J Cooper and John D. Sharpe for the killing of former the people and they are planning to the South. United States Senator Edward W. day to take the fight on the to Raleigh. The petitioners against the proposed Long before the hour set for the harter number about 2,000 voters in court to open the crowds gathered the city. Those who are taking the outside the new court house. When initiative in the move to carry the fight the comfortable theatre chairs were

n to Raleigh say that they will present occupied the doors were closed and a petition to the Legislature against admission was denied to later arthe proposed charter of more than two thirds of the voters of the city by ad-When Judge Hart arrived he made ding a thousand or more to the present The petitioners are contending for

the election of mayor by the people against the proposed assessments of property for street and other improvements and for the election of aldermen the bar so that the jurors sat with by wards and at large. They also insist their backs to the auditorium facing on the equalization of taxation not only the witness who was placed directly for individuals but for corporations and an economical administration of the

The petitions already presented are to the board of aldermen and to the

Mr. Cameron Morrison when seen by News reporter today said that he thought the plan agreed upon has the weakness without the strength of either of the other propositions, "It denies he right of the people to elect their own mayor", he said "and so restricts he board of aldermen that they are mable to select the best man obtainable unless he happens to an alderman. By Associated Press. If it is put through I think it will result in great confusion over selecting the mayor. I do not believe it repre sents the sentiment of the people.

Tillman And Dixon Clash

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 16.-When the coned in the senate today. Senator Dixon (Montana) continued his strictures on the plan of having so many navy yards along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts.

azine articles from which the senator

Dixen referred to a statement in the age was done. magazine that the improvements a Charlesten, S. C. yards were advised Charleston, S. C. yards were advised Discovery Of against by experts, but when Tillman Discovery Of said this was not the case Dixon ex pressed himself as satisfied.

"You," Tillman, declared pointing his finger at Dixon, "simply are prejudiced against southern yards and you want to get that out of your head.

Dixon replied that he was a southern man, that he had no such prendijce, and so far as he knew Charleston might be the best place for a great naval station.

is in the South. The President-Elect realizes this condition and has in his treated before being killed. speeches appealed for a different treatment for that section.

Mrs. M. A. Robinson in Extremis. Mrs. M. A. Robinson is desperately ill at her home in Sharon township. By Associated Press. near Hebron. She has been uncon- Birmingham, Feb. 16.—Thomas P. scious since early last night and Grasty of Baltimore, vice president of members of the family entertain lit- the Manufacturers' Record, died today Col. T. L. Kirkpatrick left today for London, Eng., Feb. 16.--A greater the hope for her recovery. Mrs. Rob., at Talladega, Ala., of peritonitis.

ond other members of the royal family. Livity in progress on Elizabeth Heights, unknown.

of attendance the convention begun here today by the Laymen's Missionconference has caused considerable ary Movement of the Southern Presactivity among the petitioners who are byterian church is the most notable asking that the mayor be elected by gathering of its kind ever held in

Nearly one thousand delegates They came from all of the Southern men of wide prominence.

White, of New York.

For tonight's session the scheduled of the University of Missouri. The convention will remain in ses- house on its second reading.

sion until Friday.

same name in Asiatic Turkey, colcertained but reports say that 30 perons have been killed and others in-

shelter. Sivas has a population of

Shock Felt at Budapest.

Budapest, Feb. 16.—An earthquake shock lasting for ten seconds was felt from Montana with being a "senator today in the districts of Keeshemst, By Associated Press, from the Rocky Mountains who has Nagy Kores, Czegled and Felegyhaza. The inhabitants fifted in terror to houses cracked but otherwise no dam-

Revolting Crime

By Associated Press.

discovery of a revolting crime has caused a sensation here. The body of an 8-year-old girl, torn eastern coast. by 28 knife wounds and further muti-Tillman replied: "But there are some lated by burns, has been found in a people who think nothing is good if it populous quarter of the city. It was learned that the child had been ill By Asociated Press.

> has been arrested Editor Grasty Dead.

home and household furniture by are here this morning. -There is considerable building ac- last night. The origin of the fire is Six persons are reported killed and

Names of Judges Who Will Count The Ballot

Washington, D. C., Feb. 16 .-- To sound loom of "Referee" system of federal patronage, to effect the resumption of representative government in states and to co-operate in every way possible with President-Elect Taft, expressed plans for the political uplift of that section many of the commercial bodies south of Mason and Dixon's line are aunched in Florida.

The St. Augustine (Fla.) Board of Trade has placed in Mr. Taft's hands a full realization of what they are South and urging chambers of commerce of other Southern cities and great fight. as to applicants for office, as well as night, at 5 o clock. to local sentiment regarding national

The resolutions attribute to the 'Referee" system responsibility for so many unfit appointments to the ederal offices in the South."

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 16.—In point Proceedings of

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16,--A sensa-

tional bill was introduced by Morton, mighty short time to see them. of New Hanover, in the house of rep- Where now are the people who resentatives this morning requiring all said the vote in this contest would individuals keeping liquors on hand not go over 100,000. It is to laugh, States and among them were many for personal use, to pay a license tax And it will be a merry ha, ha for ren of wide prominence.

Following the exchange of greetigs this afternoon there were adings this afternoon there were ad-except to holders of such license. The tion to the number of prophets who dresses by ex-Governor R. B. Glenn, names of persons receiving shipments are without honor in their own counof North Carolina, and J. Campbell are to be published in the respective trycounties each month.

The Hinsdale child labor bill was It is with pride that The News speakers are Rev. C. A. R. Janvier, taken up as special order and is now points to the names of the gentlemen of Philadelphia, and Walter Williams, under consideration for final reading, who have so kindly agreed to act as The state drainage bill passed the the judges in this great battle of bal-

a joint resolution for a vote of the gentlemen who have the confidence people to move the state capitol to of the entire community covered by Greensboro, because that city is near-this paper. er the center of the state. He argued and amendments poured in, inserting have full and absolute charge of the Clark, Clarkton: Bassett, Rocky News office shortly before 9 o'clock

pecial tax for the purpose of main- broken by them. taining four months' school in every

Constantinople, Feb. 16.-9A number | The House passed the substitute for of houses and government buildings at the Hinsdale child labor bill, stated National Bank. senate without opposition. It provides & Co. an age limit of fifteen for girls who lapsed as the result of an earthquake, work at night, and for children be- Tate Clothing Co. The loss of life has not been as tween twelve and fourteen, who work as helpers in the day, provided they at ringer Company. tend school four months of the year. Sheriffs are to investigate violations sheriffs are to investigate violations under instruction from the commission The Tafts At Many of the inhabitants are without of labor and printing.

Storm Moving Slowly East

Chicago, Feb. 16.-Colder weather in this vicinity with storm moving stay here, navy." Tillman declared that the mag- the country. Walls of a number of slowly eastward, is the present weath-

Telegraph and other companies report encouraging conditions west of accompanied him to Panama the Mississippi The snow blockade still prevails in New York tomorrow on a shopping

Northern Michigan an dthe Lake re- tour. gion around Toledo is suffering from demoralized communication and in-Lower temperatures are the pros-

pects for the Middle and South At-Marseilles, France, Feb. 16.-The lantic and Eastern Gulf States. Central Illinois, Indiana and Ohio bound over to the superior court are feeling the worst effects of the under a \$200 bond, failing to give storm in its progress toward the which he was committed to jail.

Sensational Hold-Up Fails.

tered the home of Lawrence M. Jones, undergo an operation. His Goods Company and demanded \$7,000. C. N. G. Butt. By a ruse, Jones overpowered the

man, who was arrested.

Illinois Central Wreck.

By Associated Press. Murphysboro, Ills., Feb. 16.-An Illiminster for the state opening of parlia- Robinson, of Providence. She is in Dr. T. E. Brayer, of Shelby, who nois Central train from St. Louis to is well known in this city, lost his New Orleans was wrecked east of

about thirty injured.

Don't Believe all You Hear About the Millions of Votes Held Back by Some Contestants in the Race.

If You Did and The Final Figures Showed That You Could Have Won Wouldn't you Kick Yourself?

From the looks of the voting the being urged to take immediate action past few days it is easily seen that in support of the project formally the real contenders for The News' great list of prizes have come to resolutions it has adopted stamping working for and what sort of camthe next inauguration day as "The paigning they must do during the lawn of a day of promise" for the remaining forty-eight hours of this

owns to co-operate with Mr. Taft's It will take some hustling to be purpose to inform himself of the views sure to land inside the money when of representative men of any locality, the final count is made Wednesday

And That Means Nine, Absolutely and finally we wish to impress it on the minds of all contestants that 9 o'clock does not mean 9:10 or 9:15 or even 9:01 but NINE. Get that in your head and keep it there. If your business is not all checked up and your votes in the ballot box when the clock strikes the hour of nine on the night of The Legislature contest. You can save them as a reminder of what might have been.

You cannot afford to overlook any possible source that may yield a subscription during these remaining few hours. And you have but a

lots. We think that we have been In the senate Barringer introduced fortunate in securing the services of

The following gentlemen have kindfor his bili in dead earnest, but the ly consented to act as the judges senators persisted intaking it as a joke in the great voting contest and will other towns, as follows: By Dock- counting of the ballots, Wednesday Rockingham: Kluttz, Salisbury: evening. They will assemble at The Mount; Means, Concord; Fry, Ashe- and the key to the ballot box will ille; Eliot, Hickory. The bill was be given them. The ballot box is referred to committee on propositions now sealed with a lead express seal and will remain untouched until it is A bill by Blow would provide for a delivered to the judges and the seal Mr. W. T. Corwith, secretary The

Greater Charlotte Club. Mr. H. M. Victor, cashier Union

C. S. Stone, of the Stone & Bar-

Washington

Washington, Feb. 16.-Presidentlect and Mrs. Taft arrived here this morning and went immediately to the residence of Miss Mabel Boardman which will be their home during their

Mr. Taft visited the White House and had a conference with the president and the board of engineers who It is Mrs. Taft's intention to go to

Insurance Man Held. Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 16.-F.

before Magistrate McLean on a charge of embezzlement and was Scott was under bond for three similar charges and Saturday his bondsmen asked to be relieved.

Mr. S. A. Grier, Jr., and wife, of Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 16 .- Armed Lenoir, arrived in the city yesterday. A man, who had been living with with a revolver in one hand and a dy- Mr. Grier went to St. Peter's Hosthe girl's mother who is a widow, namite bomb in the other, a man en pital where on Wednesday he will president of Jones Brothers Dry the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs.

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