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Twenty-five Lives Lost As Result of Terrible Cyclones

One Hundred Persons Injured And Five Hundred Rendered Homeless as Result of Fearful Storms Which Swept Wide Section.

Monetary Loss Runs Up Into the Thousands—Telephone Lines Down And Traffic Largely Blocked—A Complete Story.

At Big Heart, Mo., persons are homeless and the work of rescuing the dead and injured from the wreckage was carried on by the light of lanterns.

Throughout the entire territory covered by the tornadoes great damage was done to crops and it is probable that the total loss will not be known for several days.

The storms were freaks in their kind and were not even recognized as a tornado by the farmers of Kansas, who have an acquaintance of long standing with this variety of atmospheric disturbances.

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FRED WARNER CARPENTER

Fred Warner Carpenter, former secretary to the president, who, as American minister to Morocco, has so far been unable to present his credentials to the Sultan.

This position is one that has troubled many of Mr. Carpenter's predecessors and is brought about by the wilderness of the country, the American minister must pass through to reach the Sultan's court at Morocco from his residence in Tangier.

NOVEL METHOD OF A YEGGMAN IN NEW YORK

By Associated Press.

New York, April 13.—An itinerant window cleaner whose thieving operations in the course of the last few weeks has cost a score of wealthy New Yorkers many thousands of dollars, is being sought by the police as one of the most successful and dangerous robbers in the city.

Progress of The Riots Watched

By Associated Press.

New York, April 13.—Hotel managers are viewing with anxiety the progress of the French champagne riots. It appears likely that the disturbances, coupled with the limitation of area and portages, will cause prices to rise to an altitude which will force patrons of hotels and restaurants everywhere to refrain from drinking champagne or to resort to other than the classic brands.

Mrs. Taft To Attend Cathedral Opening

By Associated Press.

New York, April 13.—Mrs. William Howard Taft will attend the opening of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine here next Wednesday. President Taft had hoped to be present but wrote to Bishop Greer a few days ago saying that it would be impossible for him to leave Washington at that time.

FRENCH WINE GROWERS IN GREAT REVOLT

Despite Fact That Champaign Territory is Armed Camp Rioting Broke Out Afresh To-day—Thousands of Gallons of Wine Destroyed.

Wine Depots Set on Fire and Presses Destroyed—Reinforcements of Troops Sent to Scene of Disorders—Wine Industry Hurt.

By Associated Press.

Epernay, April 13.—Despite the fact that the department of marne is a vast armed camp, with infantrymen and dragoons hovebacked throughout the night at almost every village in the champagne district, rioting broke out anew today and the same flame of anger and vengeance continues to sweep the grape growing region.

At Vinay the rioters hastily threw up barricades with barrels, cases and debris of all sorts and succeeded in holding back the advancing troops. While another group of manifestants armed with torches entered the vast champagne depot.

Women were foremost in the work of destruction, changing snatches of revolutionary airs and urging on the men. When the troops reached Vinay the women lay down on the roads and defied the cavalry to ride over them.

Eventually the troops succeeded in getting control of the situation and dispersed the manifestants. At dawn many places in the wine growing district showed the horizon darkened by the smoking ruins of wine depots that blazed during the night.

Endorse Taft Administration

By Associated Press.

Columbia, S. C., April 13.—The executive committee of the white wing of the republican party in South Carolina yesterday endorsed the administration of President Taft and pledged the 18 delegates from this state to support his renomination in 1912. The meeting of the committee was held for the purpose of perfecting the organization of the so-called "billy white" faction of the republican party which began at a meeting here last October.

TENN. SOLONS MIGRATE INTO ALABAMA NOW

By Associated Press.

Knoxville, Tenn., April 13.—Twenty republicans and four independent democratic members of the Tennessee legislature have gone to Decatur, Ala., presumably for the purpose of forestalling further legislation pending some action whereby the amendment to the state election law as passed yesterday by the house of representatives can be overcome.



G. C. VAN TUYL, JR.

George C. Van Tuyl, jr., who, starting in as bank messenger has worked his way toward the top until now he has been offered the appointment as bank examiner by Governor Dix of New York.

SUPREME COURT REVERSES JUDGE DANIELS

By Associated Press.

Raleigh, April 13.—In a unanimous opinion the North Carolina supreme court yesterday reversed the decision of Superior Court Judge F. A. Daniels in the suit of Governor Kitchin against State Auditor Wood to obtain a mandamus to compel the auditor to make the state poll tax \$1.35 instead of \$1.29.

By this decision the state, through an act of the last session of the general assembly, will collect for state and school purposes a tax of 45 cents on the \$100 worth of property instead of 43 cents under the old system, and \$1.25 on each poll. It will mean an increase in the state's revenue of nearly \$500,000, three-fourths of which goes into the general school fund.

First \$3,000 Paid For Water Plant

By Associated Press.

The city board of water commissioners has paid through City Treasurer A. H. Wear, the first installment of \$3,000 for the Dilworth water works plant, which the city purchased a short while ago from the Southern Power Company.

NEGRO DIES FROM EFFECTS OF NEW DISEASE, BERRI-BERI.

By Associated Press.

Charleston, S. C., April 13.—Charles Blake, a negro, has succumbed here to an attack of beri-beri, a disease that is most uncommon in this country. The victim was in the hospital for only three days, it is not known how much longer he was suffering from the terrible ailment. It is not known either how the disease was contracted.

TO CONTROL ALL TUBERCULOSIS

By Associated Press.

Denver, Colo., April 13.—The house yesterday passed on final reading the Hasty bill for the recognition of persons suffering from tuberculosis. The measure is drastic in its provisions.

Two Big Bills Are Reported Favorably To The House

Big Fight Over Labeling of Drugs

By Associated Press.

Washington, April 13.—The first big legal contest arising out of the passage of the pure food and drug act of 1906 had the right of way today in the supreme court of the United States. The government was making a last effort to sustain its claim to the right to prosecute criminally persons who labeled drugs or medicines with false statements about the curative properties of their preparations.

The point arose in the district court of western Missouri, where an indictment against Dr. O. A. Johnson was quashed on the ground the act did not apply to false statements about the curative properties of drugs but only to false statements regarding the ingredients.

It is claimed on behalf of Johnson that if the law is to be interpreted as forbidding a statement about the curative properties of drugs the act is unconstitutional. Such statements are defended as mere forecasts concerning a future event. Denial is made that they should be regarded as statements of facts.

EXPERT TO INVESTIGATE DRAINAGE QUESTION HERE.

Special to The News.

Washington, D. C., April 13.—Secretary Wilson has notified Representative Webb that he will send an expert to Mecklenburg county in May to investigate the drainage question.

Peace Project Fails.

By Associated Press.

Chihuahua, Mexico, April 13.—via Laredo, Tex., April 13.—Another peace project has failed. It was learned today when Frederico Moya and Dr. F. R. Seyfers returned in automobile from Madero's camp near Bustillos, 60 miles west of here, and reported their mission had been without definite result.

JAPANESE BASEBALL TEAM TO TOUR THIS COUNTRY SOON.

By Associated Press.

San Francisco, April 13.—On the Japanese liner Nippon Maru, due to arrive here today, is the baseball team of Waseda University, coming to tour this country upon an invitation from the University of Chicago.

Other Important Measures to Come Up, Including Direct Election of Senators And Campaign Contribution Publicity Bills.

By Associated Press.

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Favorable Report is Made By The Ways And Means Committee On The Reciprocity And Tariff Revision Bills.

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The Canadian reciprocity bill was taken up first by the committee and after a brief discussion Representative McCall, its sponsor in the Sixty-first congress, moved that it be approved by the committee. This was done without division.

The free list bill, however, was not unanimously approved, the vote on it in the committee having been a strict party vote, the democrats favoring it and the republicans voting solidly against it.

The republicans, with Senator Payne as spokesman, declared that the proposed bill was hasty and ill advised, that the measure had not been referred to the tariff board and that Chairman Underwood and his democratic colleagues on the committee had not sufficient data to show what effect the changes would have.

The reciprocity bill will be called tomorrow for discussion. Opposition to the bill from the stalwart republicans who fought it in the last session developed when the measure was reported. Representative Dalglish, of Pennsylvania, asked the privilege of filing a minority report. This will be made tomorrow.

Direct Election. With the announcement from Representative Underwood that the democrats were determined before adjournment today to pass a resolution providing for election of senators by direct vote of the people, the house plunged into debate on the proposed constitutional amendment.

Minority Leader Mann asked that the whole subject go over for a day so that the members could examine the language of the proposed amendment to the constitution, but his proposal met with no favor on the democratic side.

There has been a great deal of talk from the other side about delaying business in the house, said Representative Rucker, of Missouri, who had the resolution in charge. "I now invite you, gentlemen, to do your worst. Lay on, MacDuff."

Washington, April 13.—Representative Rucker, of Missouri, chairman of the committee on election of president, vice-president and representatives in congress, was prepared when the house of representatives met today to call up the bill providing for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people. It was the purpose of the democratic leaders to push this bill for immediate passage pending further action on the Canadian reciprocity bill introduced yesterday by Representative Underwood.

Chairman Rucker's committee voted yesterday to report the popular election bill favorably, as it did also the bill providing for anti-election publicity of campaign contributions.

Passage of the former bill in time would mean that the latter measure also would be put upon its passage. The house leaders did not anticipate much opposition to these party measures and no attempt was looked for from any democrat to impede the rapid program outlined by the ways and means committee. This committee has approved both bills and wants them out of the way of the way.

The Insurrectos in Senora Will Not Make an Attack on Strongly Fortified Cities

By Associated Press.

Agua Prieta, Mexico, April 13.—(Via Douglas, Arizona.)—The plans of the revolutionists in Sonora, it is said, do not include an attack on Cananea, which is strongly fortified. There is a federal force there of 1,100 men with seven machine guns and one field cannon. The Mexican government has brought to Cananea two experts from the Maxim factory to teach the federals how to use rapid fire guns.

The bandit leader, Giron, with 290 foot soldiers and fifty mounted men, held up the stage between Nacozi and Campas Saturday prior to retaking Campas. At Campas Giron recruited 100 men and liberated thirty prisoners, among them a Mexican who killed an American engineer at Nacozi a year ago.