

WHITE WAY FOR HICKORY PRACTICALLY AGREED ON

Whole Business District to be Illuminated With Modern System and Number of Lights in City Doubled--Two Miles of Sewer Mains to be Laid.

Hickory is to have a white way. This was practically decided on Tuesday night when city council took the question up with Mr. A. V. Harrell, vice-president of the Southern Public Utilities Company; Mr. John M. Stephens, local manager, and Mr. W. B. Ellis, Jr., illuminating engineer for the company.

The lights, one to a standard, will be placed on the principal business streets and will extend from the First Baptist church to Hotel Huffry and will include Main street, Ninth street, Tenth and Fourteenth streets, and will be placed at a distance of 50 feet, though the distance from light to light on one side of a street will be 100 feet. According to the tentative plans, the wooden poles will come down in the white way district and be replaced with iron standards.

In addition to the white way, which will mean the placing of 100 lights, the company will install additional lights in other parts of the city and the number of lights will be doubled. The lights will be replaced with high-power incandescent Mazda, which are proving a success in many of the larger cities.

At present there are 22 incandescent and 50 incandescent, but the new lighting arrangement will be 100 lights in the white way and 100 Mazda incandescent in other parts of the city, practically doubling the number.

The entire street lighting system here will be junked and new material installed. This will give Hickory a lighting system, including the white way, second to no city in North Carolina, and with the addition of many beautiful lights in the show windows of merchants, the center of town will be unusually attractive at night.

City council also decided to lay about two miles of sewer pipes. A main will be laid so that the residents of Newworth can connect; a line will be built by the South graded school; Lenoir College will be placed on a connection, and Ninth avenue west will have access to sewer lines. This work will not be done before spring, but when it is completed, every resident in position to connect will be asked to do so.

TO OPEN CLOSED GRADES ON MONDAY

Unless a change in the situation results, those grades of the public schools which were closed last week on account of the scarlet fever situation will be reopened Monday. Only one new case of scarlet fever has been reported in several days and that developed on Friday last, showing, as physicians believe, that it was not contracted at school. Some other causes than school must be assigned, it is believed. Thorough inspection of school children will be carried on until the disease has been stamped out.

While there have been no more than 25 known cases in Hickory and a number of them have been mild, the feeling of uneasiness that has been the result of the disease is still being felt. Cases that are quarantined, and where a child breaks out one day and is out playing the next, the whole community is endangered. Health officers have been trying to guard against this danger.

Parents whose children complain with sore throats or whose bodies seem feverish would do well to call in a physician at once.

BRITISH LOSSES IN SHIPS ARE VERY LIGHT

(By Associated Press.) London, Nov. 15.—Of the total of British steam merchant shipping of 1,000 tons and over at the beginning of the war the net loss to September 30, 1916, was slightly over 2-1/2 per cent, the financial secretary told a questioner today in the house of commons. He said this included losses from all causes whether from war or marine risks.

CABRERA CHECKS MEXICAN SHEME

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 15.—Repudiation by Louis Cabrera of a plan of border control that had been agreed upon by two of his colleagues and the three American representatives again has made doubtful the ability of the Americans on the Mexican-American joint commission to assist Mexico in its efforts to restore normal conditions along the frontier. The Americans were hopeful, but it was indicated by those in touch with them that continued opposition, characterized as quibbling, would not long be tolerated.

There appeared reason to believe that unless the chairman of the Mexican commission adopted a more tractable manner he and his associates would be informed that further consideration of Mexico's social, economic and military problems must come to an end. The agreement which provided for the American punitive expedition and for a method of dealing with border raiders in the future was reached yesterday. Ignacio Penillas and Alberto J. Piana of the Mexican commission concurring. Mr. Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican representation, went to Philadelphia where he conferred with Rafael Nieto, secretary of the department of finance, of which Mr. Cabrera is chief. It was when he reappeared in the commission room this morning that he announced his opposition to the details of the plan. It is known that his expression of dissatisfaction was vehement.

That the agreement for the withdrawal of the troops did not provide for their immediate retirement was stipulated. It stipulated it is understood within a fixed time if within that period the Carranza government had demonstrated its ability to guard the border against raids.

The session at which Mr. Cabrera entered his protest against the adopted plan was not finished until long after midnight. The Americans had expected to hold the usual second session in the afternoon but Mr. Cabrera announced that it was necessary for him to return to Philadelphia.

He was there tonight and there was no meeting this afternoon.

St. Paul Nov. 15.—With all prospects in Minnesota unofficially reported, the majority of Mr. Hughes over President Wilson today stood at 1,004.

WILSON GAINING CALIFORNIA COUNT

(By Associated Press.) San Francisco, Nov. 15.—Thirty-three counties in California remained to be heard from today in the official recount of the state. Early returns from five counties made the difference between the lowest Democratic elector and the highest Republican elector 5,631, the lowest Democrat having that majority. Both parties admit that a big discrepancy would have to be found in order to change the California result and such discrepancies could come only from the three most populous counties.

The first day's work in the counting disclosed only minor discrepancies.

FREEZING WEATHER PROMISED HICKORY

There must be an end to all things, including the rainbow, although many boys and girls who have tried to find it will question this presumption. The ideal fall weather, the Hickory climate, has come to a temporary end, or rather the weather has achieved the upper hand of the climate and this section of the state is taking the weather vouchsafed the rest of the country.

The cold wave is here. The thermometer began registering a break in temperature Tuesday night and by Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, the mercury hovered around 38 degrees. That, according to the weather man in Washington, is just a starter, and freezing weather is promised for tonight. Snow also is indicated in the western part of the state, and it would not be surprising if some of the popular winter resorts in this section are visited.

It might be well to cover exposed water pipes, cut off the water at places and get ready for a few days of real cold.

DESTROYED BLOCKADE DISTILLERY IN BURKE

Deputy Collector P. P. Jones and Possemen H. W. Jones and C. A. Moser Tuesday afternoon found and destroyed a 45 gallon distillery in Burke county, 13 miles southwest of Hickory, but the operators were missing. The outfit was ready for another run of liquor and 500 gallons of beer and five sacks of sugar and sugar is a high article—were destroyed, together with five fermenters and other accessories. Mr. H. W. Jones said the still had been in operation for some time, but he could not learn how long.

If the weather becomes very cold blockading will be suspended for a while, as the mash and stuff freeze, thereby making it difficult to run liquor.

RUMANIANS REPORT SOME GOOD, SOME BAD

(By Associated Press.) Bucharest, via London, Nov. 15.—From the border of western Moldavia to the Slanic and Oituz valleys the Austro-German forces are being pursued beyond the Transylvania line by the Rumanians, the war office announced today.

In the Jiu valley the Rumanians have been forced back to their second trenches, the Rumanian statement adds, and the Rumanians have been compelled to yield some ground to the invaders.

MORGANTON READY FOR STATE CLUBS

(By Associated Press.) Morganton, N. C., Nov. 15.—Delegates from all parts of the state are here for the opening business session tomorrow of the council of State Federated Clubs, composed of Federation officers and chairmen of committees of civic and other organizations. A session of the Executive board tonight, was to precede a reception to be given in honor of the visitors. The meeting will adjourn Friday.

Low Football Scores (By Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—Low scores in the football games of last week caused a tightening in the race for both teams and individual honors among the leading eleven of the eastern teams. Georgia Tech. with 367 and Sewanee, with 315, still head the list with Pennsylvania leading in the east.

LATEST PROTEST GOVERNMENT TO DISPLEASE SEVERAL

Washington, Nov. 15.—Announcement last night of the state department's action instructing the American charge at Berlin to communicate with the imperial chancellor on the deportation of Belgians brought a flood of inquiries to the state department today.

Secretary Lansing repeated the department's action as it was sent out last night by the Associated Press and said:

"The United States has made an official protest to Germany but has suggested to her what a bad effect on neutral opinion, particularly in the United States, such action might have. The instructions to the charge to discuss the matter with the imperial chancellor were sent at the suggestion of the Belgian government."

NEW ROCKY MOUNT BANK IS CHARTERED

(By Associated Press.) Raleigh, Nov. 15.—Charter for the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Rocky Mount was issued today by the secretary of state. The new institution has a capital stock of \$100,000, of which \$25,000 has been subscribed. This makes the sixth bank for Rocky Mount.

PRESIDENT TO ISSUE PROCLAMATION SOON

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 15.—The Thanksgiving proclamation will be issued in a few days.

President Wilson told inquirers today that he would follow custom and designate the last Thursday in the month, November 30.

WILSON'S ELECTION TAKEN FOR GRANTED EVERYWHERE

Although neither Chairman Wilcox nor Mr. Hughes concedes the election of Woodrow Wilson president of the United States, the rest of the country has accepted the verdict of the people and set about its business. Minnesota, according to latest reports will remain in the Hughes column and California will stand by Wilson, whose election by at least 272 electoral votes, six more than necessary is an assured fact.

(By Associated Press.) Raleigh, Nov. 15.—The Thomas-Hosey Mill Company of Thomasville filed application for charter with the secretary of state today. This company will have a capital stock of \$10,200, of which all but \$200 has been subscribed, and will engage in the manufacture of hosiery.

MARKETS

COTTON FUTURES

(By Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—There was heavy realizing in the cotton market early today and after opening at a decline of four to 16 points, active months sold 13 to 18 points under last night's closing prices. Prices later rallied before the end of the first hour.

	Open	Close
December	19.90	20.01
January	19.98	20.15
March	20.01	20.36
May	20.21	20.44
July	20.20	20.45

HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton	19%
Wheat	\$2.00

CHICAGO WHEAT

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Nov. 15.—Wheat prices made a quick upturn today as the result of an unexpected demand in Liverpool. Opening prices, which ranged from 1-4 to 2-1-2 higher with December at 1.87 to 1.88 and May at 1.92 to 1.93 1/4, were followed by a substantial advance.

THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Probably rain on the coast and rain or snow in the interior tonight and Thursday. Colder tonight. Freezing temperature in the interior; strong north winds.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

	Nov. 4	1916	1915
Maximum	64	51	51
Minimum	52	41	41
Mean	56	46	46

DEFEND EIGHT HOUR LAW

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 15.—Attorney General Gregory has decided that suits by railroads against enforcement of the Adamson eight-hour law will be defended by the department of justice. The defense in each case will be worked out by Solicitor General Davis and other officials of the department of justice.

The department today was unable to determine whether it would be necessary to defend each of the many suits already begun or whether the railroads would be content to make a test case of one suit. No word has reached the attorney general on this point.

NEW YORK CENTRAL WILL CONTEST LAW

(By Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—The New York Central Railway today filed suit in the federal district court to test the constitutionality of the Adamson law. The suit is brought against the several brotherhoods.

The railroad's principal contention, according to counsel, is that the Adamson law is in no sense a regulation of commerce, but is a temporary and arbitrary increase in wages for the brotherhood men.

He said as soon as an answer is filed to the complaint, the railroad would ask for an injunction.

PENNSYLVANIA ACTS

(By Associated Press.) Philadelphia, Nov. 15.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company today filed in the federal district court here a bill in equity asking for an injunction against the three United States district attorneys in Pennsylvania forbidding them from bringing prosecutions against the railroad on account of the Adamson law.

DELAY IN OVERTON TRIAL AT HUNTERSVILLE

(By Associated Press.) Huntersville, Ala., Nov. 15.—David T. Overton, former clerk of the Madison county circuit court, charged with the murder of Probate Judge W. T. Lawler last June, will not be arraigned here until late tomorrow, it was learned today. Secrey attended the bringing of Overton here from the Montgomery jail at the time of his arrival.

Several witnesses were examined today by the special grand jury in the Madison county circuit court and a partial report was expected today. The report is awaited as expected developments may have a bearing on the trial.

SOME CHANGES MADE IN W. VIRGINIA COUNT

(By Associated Press.) Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 15.—No official election returns have yet been received by the secretary of state, but it is expected the complete vote of the smaller counties will reach here some time tomorrow. Changes are already reported in the official count and contesting candidates are watching them carefully. The count will end today when the remainder of votes are tabulated.

Senator Chilton declared today that official returns so far show there is an unaccountable discrepancy between the vote for president and United States senator.

FURNITURE MAKERS ELECT NEW OFFICERS

(By Associated Press.) High Point, Nov. 14.—Officers of the Southern Furniture Manufacturers Association were elected here today just before adjournment. In addition to the election of officers, the time of the convention was consumed in considering factory conditions and cost of materials. The officers are: C. F. Tomlinson, High Point, president; F. S. Lambeth, Thomasville, first vice-president; A. D. Whiten, Martinsville, Va., second vice president; J. T. Ryan, High Point, secretary-treasurer.

OFFICERS REELECTED

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 15.—Dr. H. Q. Alexander of Matthews, president; Dr. J. M. Tomperton of Cary, vice president; E. C. Fairies of Aberdeen secretary-treasurer. All other officers of the North Carolina Farmers Union were reelected today.

GERMANS STRIKE HARD AGAINST FRENCH LINE

While British Push Their Advantage, Teutons Deliver Blow at Ally--Invasion of Rumania Continues--Bitter Fighting Reported in Galicia--Other Reports.

COLD WAVE HITS ALL SECTIONS OF SOUTH

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 15.—Zero at Bismarck, N. D., was the lowest temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, but the cold wave still held sway in all districts east of the Mississippi. The weather has become much colder everywhere east of the Mississippi except in southern Florida and freezing temperatures were reported as far south as the Gulf coast. New Orleans reported 34, Atlanta 24, San Antonio 30 and Nashville, Tenn., 18.

Indications were that the cold would increase tonight in the south and that it would reach 20 at many points in the southern states.

Cold wave warnings were issued for the Atlantic coast for Georgia and South Carolina.

On account of the approaching West Indian disturbance, the weather bureau ordered storm warnings placed on the Gulf coast and on the Atlantic coast from the Virginia capes south.

CONFERENCE TO MEET NEXT WEEK

Methodist preachers throughout the Western North Carolina conference will preach their last sermons of the conference year Sunday and on Thursday will meet in Gastonia for the annual gathering of the forces of the church. The conference will close either Monday night or Tuesday at noon of the following week. Bishop John C. Kilgo of Charlotte will preside.

Rev. A. L. Stanford, who has served three years as pastor of the First Methodist church of Hickory, is expected to be returned to Hickory to complete four years of work. If the voice of his congregation is heard in the conference he surely will be sent back, for the members have voted unanimously for his return. Rev. D. F. Carver of West Hickory has served only one year, and it is understood that he will return.

Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Statesville district, also is serving his first year, and will be returned, it is thought. Rev. J. P. Kirk of Statesville and Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick of Mooresville have ended their four years pastorate and will be moved.

UNMARKED BALLOTS TO BE COUNTED THURSDAY

Asheville, Nov. 15.—Democratic State Chairman T. D. Warren, who was called here by Congressional Chairman Elias, in regard to the situation in the tenth, left Tuesday afternoon for his home in New Bern. While Mr. Warren made no statement to newspapers, saying that he was unfamiliar with conditions here a leading Democrat gives the information that Mr. Warren holds that the state board of elections has the right and power to ask the county board of canvassers for a supplemental report of their work. According to the Republican legal opinion here this cannot be done; Congress alone can get behind the returns as submitted to the county board of canvassers and ask for a recount of any ballots.

It seems almost certain that the Democrats on next Thursday, when the Buncombe canvassing board meets again, will ask that the unmarked ballots for Weaver, which, it is stated, were thrown out, will be counted and naturally it will seem that the Democrats know what they are doing by asking this; know that by counting these unmarked ballots in Buncombe Weaver will receive a majority. If the ballots which were thrown out as being unmarked are counted by the Democrats Thursday, then, according to information received by the Daily News representative, the Republicans will begin a fight which it is believed will be one of the most interesting contests ever staged in the tenth.

The Republicans will fight to the end that the unmarked ballots cannot be counted; and if they are counted and Weaver is seated, the contest will be taken to the floor of the house, where the Republicans feel that they will be upheld.

(By Associated Press.) With the battle between the British and Germans still raging around the Ancre river the Germans have struck the French line a hard blow at the other extremity of the Somme front, near Chaulnes wood, south of the river.

Paris declares that the attack which was desperately pressed resulted in a gain of ground only east of a group of demolished dwellings.

The latest news from the British offensive in the Ancre region reported the British troops pressing on. The taking of more than 5,000 German prisoners has been officially announced.

North of the Somme Paris announces progress north of the St. Pierre wood region, where dominating ground at Sailiael is facilitating these operations.

The invasion of Rumania is being carried on successfully by the Austro-Germans, Berlin announces. The successes yesterday culminated in the defeat of the Rumanians. Berlin says, and resulted in the capture of 1,800 prisoners.

Petrograd admits the forcing back of the Rumanians by the Teutons at several points, declaring that the Germans brought up large reinforcements.

In the front near Lemberg serious Austro-German attacks were repulsed by the Russians, Petrograd announces.

OIL AND GAS FOUND NEARLY EVERYWHERE

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Nov. 15.—Oil and gas are found in nearly every formation in the entire geologic series porous enough to contain it, but profitable commercial deposits are found only when the formation containing them is enclosed within an impervious stratum of rock of shale, usually the latter, J. C. McDowell, president of a Pittsburgh gas and fuel company told the American Mining Congress this afternoon. In part he said:

"Probably the most successful application of geology to gas and oil production is that of the last few years in the mid-continent field in Kansas and Oklahoma. It is safe to say that during 1915-16 several million acres of land have been leased there, and strange to say not only has Kansas acreage been brought back into demand after years of absolute condemnation as worthless for oil and gas purposes, but practically all of the larger producers, but record prices for undeveloped leases are now being paid in that territory. This condition has been brought about by discoveries made on a strictly scientific basis and by men who had faith in the corrections of the anti-clinal theory."

After mentioning three prolific Kansas oil and gas people as good examples of geology applied to the oil industry, success following several years of ineffectual attempts to develop the pools by old methods Mr. McDowell said that it was very evident that, with careful geologic study, "practically all the main productive fields of Kansas and Oklahoma could have been forecast and opened, as continued."

"In general it must not be understood that such forecasting is a simple matter for it is not. At best there are many chances of failure, even after a possible trap is disclosed upon the surface of the ground? Not only is there a danger of the trap flattening before the porous strata are reached but there may be no porous strata underneath. Again there may be, but filled with salt water, again there may be some denser impervious and intervening on the slope preventing the oil and gas from collecting in the dome or trap, and last there may be no gas or oil in any of the formations tapped."

INCOMES IN BERLIN SHOW LARGE INCREASE

(By Associated Press.) Berlin.—In making up the income tax list for 1916, which is to yield the city of Berlin 45,072,981 marks this year instead of 42,700,000 last year, the authorities find that the incomes of individuals in all classes of tax payers have increased, while those of firms and business houses in general have as consistently decreased.

There are 30,834 more persons with taxable incomes under 3,000 marks than in 1915, and 595 more who are taxed on incomes over 3,000 marks than there were a year ago. On the other hand there are a total of 165 less firms who will help fill the city's coffers than there were.

KNIGHTS OF PITHIAS

Regular meeting of the Hickory lodge, No. 54, K. of P., Thursday night at 7:30. Work in the first degree. Full attendance is desired.