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WEATHER
Rain on coast; rain, sleet or snow in interior tonight and Thursday.

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AMERICA NOT READY MAKE GERMAN LOAN

Thos. W. Lamont Says This Country Cannot Assist That Country as Long as Reparations Question is in Tangle and Definite Sum Is not Known by Germany.

...and Press.
...Dec. 20.—An address by ... J. P. Morgan and ... the council of foreign ... in which he dis... a loan to Germany ... today, as one of the most ... of the present ...

...people have no inten... a loan to Germany." ... she is not in position ... to inspire our peo... to buy bonds."

...stated the conditions ... future German loan ... in this country, not at ... sufficient to aid ...

...were the settlement ... problem and the fix... so that Germany ... of her obligations.

...fixation of a fixed ... "Germany must ... relation. There may ... that a scheme ... supervision of such ... administration ...

...advanced, he said, ... many will be lent a sum ... her reparations."

HOUSE REPUBLICANS SHELVE TAX BILL

...Press.
...Dec. 20.—House Repub... decided today to post... consideration of the Green ... an amendment to the ... prohibiting issuance of ... securities urged by Presi... and Secretary Mellon ...

...conference of leaders, it ... agreed that further consider... measure "would go over ... Friday," because of the ... a large number of bills ...

...Representative Garner of Texas, ... Democrat of the house ways ... committee, declared the ... bill, Mr. Garner was ... chamber prepared to go ... when notified of the ...

HENSON LOSES CASE TO TAX STOCKS

...ciated Press.
...N. C., Dec. 20.—The case ... H. Henson vs. the state tax com... and A. D. Watts, revenue com... to compel the collection of ... on all stocks was dismissed by ... court today, Chief Justice Walter Clark dissenting.

The suit, which is considered im... owing to its attack on the ... constitution and the contention ... all the tax-exempting statutes ... war brought before Judge ... in Wake Superior court ... 1922. The defendant demurred ... ground that the court had no ... and moved for dismissal, ... granted.

COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 20.—The circula... December notices representing ... 5,000 bales had rather an unsettling influence in the cotton market at the opening today. First prices were steady at an advance of two to 15 points on Liverpool cables and rather ... opening figure than expected, but December eased off during the early trading.

	Open	Close
December	26.19	25.84
January	25.99	25.77
March	26.20	25.98
May	26.35	26.10
July	26.20	25.84

...January cotton 25 cents.

JUNIORS AGTIVE IN BEHALF OF ORPHANAGE

Hickory Juniors, through their orphanage committee, last night continued their activities for the location here of the proposed branch of the national orphan home and the question was presented to the Kiwanis club by Will H. Barkley, a member, and President Annegate named a committee to cooperate. The Kiwanians voted unanimously to back the Juniors in their efforts to have the asylum located here. President Applegate named Rev. Walter W. Rowe, Thos. P. Pruitt and Geo. C. Roder to act as a committee.

The Junior committee appeared before city council last night, but in the absence of a quorum—the first time in half a dozen years that more than half of the councilmen were absent—no action could be taken. Several other important matters went over at council meeting until Mayor Yount, who has been indisposed for several days, is able to be out again.

The local committee today mailed letters to be mailed out to the various local councils in the state impressing them of Hickory's intention to make a bid for the home and assuring them that 500 enthusiastic Juniors and the whole community are behind the efforts.

The committee consists of J. Thos. Setzer, chairman; M. G. Crouch, secretary; F. A. Henderson and W. H. Barkley.

BAKER IS CALLED IN WAR FRAUD CONTRACTS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 20.—Newton D. Baker, who was secretary of war in President Wilson's wartime cabinet, appeared today before the special federal grand jury which is in session here investigating war frauds.

The purpose for which Mr. Baker went before the grand jury was not revealed, but recently it is known that the investigation centered about alleged irregularities in the building of war camps.

Several civil suits to recover millions of dollars from contractors already have been filed and department of justice officials announce that criminal actions also will be sought.

Several former officials of the government have been before the jury which yesterday questioned Bernard M. Baruch, who was chairman of the war industries board.

TWENTY-TWO ARE HELD FOR STEALING

By the Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 20.—Twenty-two civilian employes at the naval base in Brooklyn were arrested today on indictments returned by a grand jury several months ago charging that government property to the value of more than one million dollars had been stolen since the war.

THREE MEN TELL OF HERRIN AFFAIR

By the Associated Press.
Marion, Ill., Dec. 20.—With the scars of bullets and knife wounds on their bodies, three Herrin men testified to the massacre in which 20 non-union men were killed there.

They were Joseph O'Rourke, William Cairns and Robert Officer.

CLEMENCEAU IS WELCOMED IN FRANCE

By the Associated Press.
Havre, Dec. 20.—Georges Clemenceau arrived home from his American pilgrimage today in a hilarious mood, but apparently suffering from fatigue. The "tiger" received representatives from France in his cabin as the liner was entering port. A large number of the newspapers and newspaper men by denying various interviews printed in the French press, particularly one sent from New York to the Petit Parisien.

"I hope for good results from my visit to the United States, Clemenceau said to the Associated Press. "I put my thoughts before them and they have sense enough to judge. It was apparent there was much interest in me personally, for which I am very grateful.

"Maybe it is too soon, but it is my best opportunity. Say, please, to our friends in the United States, 'My first thought on the sight of France was that I was glad to be home; second, that I was sorry to leave the United States.

"'Merry Christmas and a happy new year from an old friend."

TWO ARE KILLED IN SPEEDING LIQUOR CAR

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—The body of a man who was instantly killed last night when the automobile in which he was riding overturned about five miles south of Raleigh was identified today as that of Joe Stone, farmer, who lived near Cary.

T. L. Neville, a guard at the state prison farm who was with Stone received injuries which resulted in his death at a local hospital last night. From the damaged condition of the automobile, it was evident that the car was running rapidly.

Officers who went to the scene last night say a quantity of liquor was found in the wreckage.

WRIGHT AND MARTIN WILL FACE ACTION

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 20.—The department of justice is preparing to file suit against the Wright-Martin Aircraft Corporation for the recovery of war claims amounting to $3,601,715 the house judiciary committee was told today by Assistant Attorney General Seymour at the hearing on impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

Mr. Seymour said there had been a wide difference of opinion among the lawyers in the war claims section of the justice department as to the case but that decision had been reached recently to begin action. He did not indicate how soon the government would be ready to go to court.

KIWANIANS TAKE UP OVERPASS QUESTION

In addition to acting favorably on the Junior orphanage question, the Kiwanis club last night took up the question of an overpass at the railroad crossing at the passenger station and President Applegate appointed a committee to cooperate with other organizations in the city Jos. E. Abernethy, Alonzo M. West and Hiram Balch, all living south of the railroad, were named as the committee.

A special talk was made by W. Augustus Self and it was decided to hold the next meeting at the Buttercup Tea room. At this time George Baily will be inducted into the presidental office and the other new officers will assume the cloaks of authority.

Everybody who had a grouch or anything similar to it was asked to get it out of his system and there was a general handshaking in anticipation of the New Year which, with frosty whiskers, is hurrying around the corner.

TEXTILE MILLS WILL RESUME FULL TIME

By the Associated Press.
Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 62.—Textile mills throughout the piedmont section of North and South Carolina today prepared to resume a full schedule following a resumption of electric current by the Southern Power Company.

The announcement of power officials last night that the curtailment would be formally annulled today marked the end of a period of insufficient water supply in the power company's reservoirs which, according to the statement, have been sufficiently replenished by recent rains.

GRANT FARMERS MUCH LONGER PERIOD

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 20.—Bankers acceptances of six months security grown by growers of staple agricultural products for cooperative marketing associations are eligible for rediscount by federal reserve banks under a ruling by the federal reserve board as a step in the direction of longer credits for farmers.

Officials declared the decision which makes agricultural paper eligible for rediscount for six months instead of three should be om "material assistance to cooperative marketing associations in financing the crops.

Acceptances for six months had been asked for by agricultural associations and the longer period will give the farmer a longer time to turn over his crop.

DEADLOCK REACHED IN TURKISH COURTS

By the Associated Press.
Lausanne, Dec. 20.—The sub-commission on capitulations of the near east conference reached a deadlock today on the question of trying foreigners in Turkish native courts. As a substitute for the present consular courts, the allies suggested that a foreign judge be appointed by the Hague court of justice who should sit on the bench with the Turkish judge. The Turks refused.

TWO COMMISSIONERS ARE RENOMINATED

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 20.—President Harding today renominated Interstate Commissioners Chas. C. McChrod of Kentucky and Jos. B. Eastman of Massachusetts whose terms expire shortly.

FATTY ARBUCKLE MAY GET CHANCE

By the Associated Press.
Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—Will H. Hayes, chairman of the Motion picture industries, said today that Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle might have his "chance to come back in motion pictures."

De Valera remains in hiding, and you can't deny that a good hiding is just what he needs.—Boston Transcript.

HOLIDAY BUYING VERY ACTIVE IN CITY

With only three days left before the Christmas season begins shoppers will put on extra steam in Hickory tomorrow and for the remainder of the week attend to those matters which bad weather and considerable illness have checked until the last few days. The situation has improved throughout the section, and as a result trading during the past two days has been lively.

Merchants already report good business for this season of the year. The biggest rush will come the last of this week, however, and the heavy trade.

Those who visit the stores at night must feel well repaid. Everywhere are the bright Christmas windows, the warm glow of the lights, the welcome that is accorded one in the stores are attractions that make one linger long. The Christmas articles shown catch and hold the interest of the shoppers.

But most of the buying is done in the day-time. Women do it. They can get out better during the day than at night. There ought to be many pretty rings, watches and other jewelry given to the girls this Christmas, judging by the number of young men who can be seen inspecting articles in jewelry stores.

There is till a fairly complete stock of Christmas goods in partically all the stores and shoppers the remainder of the week can make excellent selections.

REPORT IS MADE BY CENSUS ON COTTON

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 20.—Cotton ginned prior to December amounted to 9,493,296 running bales, including 161,699 round bales counted as half bales, 24,313 bales of American Egyptian and 5,255 bales of sea island, the census bureau announced today.

To December 13 last year ginnings were 7,790,656 running bales, including 122,649 round bales counted as half bales, 25,827 bales of American Egyptian and 3,062 bales of sea island.

Ginnings this year to December 13 by states include North Carolina, 830,305; South Carolina, 502,594, and Virginia, 24,972.

TAX COLLECTIONS COME IN SLOWLY

Tax collections in Catawba county have been light this fall and the school authorities have been forced to borrow money to run until such time as the funds are available. Other departments of the county government are in need of funds.

Sheriff Geo. F. Bost, who will spend Friday and Saturday at the city manager's office with the books for Hickory township, said today that he would appreciate all the assistance possible. This can be rendered by making settlement as soon as possible. Very few people have settled yet, and most of them will want to have their taxes paid before the first of the year.

Mr. Bost will be found at the city manager's office both Friday and Saturday.

TO MAKE SOUTHERN BUILD ITS PART

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—Asserting that the Southern Railway Company had "sought through all the arts of its legal talent to further delay its obligation in the building of a union station at Selma," the state corporation commission today issued a formal order to the company advising it if it failed within ten days to join the Atlantic Coast Line, court action would be sought and the company taxed with the costs.

A HUGE TURNIP

Mrs. J. C. Moser was given a surprise today in the way of a turnip that beat anything she has seen in her 70 active and observing years. It weighed six and a half pounds and was presented to her by Mr. David Whitener. It was a whopper. What's more, Mrs. Moser said, the turnip was sweet and juicy and will go a long way.

UNIFORM MOTOR LAW FOR STATE IS URGED

Carolina Motors Club Prepares Program for Presentation to Legislatures of North and South Carolina—Means to Protect Public and Automobile Owners.

By the Associated Press.
Greensboro, Dec. 20.—A uniform traffic law, a title act to protect automobile owners, the regulation of salaries and fees of rural arresting officers, licensing of all drivers and the regulation of motor busses and trucks are among the most important measures of the Carolina Motor Club's legislative program, which now is being prepared for presentation to the general assemblies of North Carolina and South Carolina, it was announced here today.

A questionnaire, containing the suggested measures, has been sent to all members of the organization in the two states with a request for expressions of opinion so that the committee may begin its campaign for the passage of a definite program.

The fourteen suggested reforms are as follows:

"First: North and South Carolina should adopt a uniform traffic law that will, so far as practical be uniform with the uniform laws now being enacted in many other states. Such a law would certainly add efficiency to the enforcement of the traffic regulation, and make motoring more of a pleasure. Your club now has on hand copies of the uniform law as worked out by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, the American Automobile Association and other national bodies. Some states have already adopted these laws with few changes.

"Second: Urge a certificate of Title act to protect the title to motor vehicles in North and South Carolina; to provide for the issuance of certificates and of title and evidence of registration thereof; to regulate the recovery of motor vehicles stolen or otherwise unlawfully taken; to provide for the regulation and licensing of certain dealers in used and second hand vehicles.

"Such a law is now in force in fourteen states. Its purpose is chiefly to prevent the sale of stolen cars. It seems reasonable that titles to motor vehicles should be provided just as provided for real estate. The cost of the title would be about one dollar.

"Third: One of our prominent banker members recommends the enactment of a law to regulate salaries and fees paid the rural officers in the matter of arrest of people using the highways. The suggestion is made that numerous arrests are made in order to 'help business.'

"Fourth: Members report there is no differential on large trucks, equipped with solid tires. It is suggested that this pneumatic equipment certainly is much easier on the road, and in most states at the present time there is a differential in their favor.

"Fifth: One member suggests some provision should be made where by the county, when operating motor equipment would be liable for damages caused by their equipment when operated contrary to law, causing damage to the individual, the same as any other corporation. One member had the experience in which a truck operated by Iredell County Highway commission, running without lights after dark, ran into an automobile in which he was driving, damaging same badly, fortunately not harting any of the occupants. The member was unable to recover anything on account of the fact that there is no provision under the law, whereby a county can be held for damages in this case. This should be rectified. Members, give us your experiences so that all will be in the hands of the legislative committee.

"Sixth: The suggestion is made of the absolute necessity of having a law requiring all moving vehicles, whether horsedrawn or otherwise, to carry a light after dark. It is not only unfair to motorists to be subjected to wagons and buggies and horses on the road without proper designation after dark, but it is very dangerous to these people.

"Seventh: Use of two state license plates instead of one is suggested because the state loses so much advertising when the car is in other states, and at times the motorist experiences trouble with small town officials who are not acquainted with our law and think two plates are required.

"Eighth: Licensing of all drivers, including owners of motor vehicles, applicants being required to pass mental and physical examinations and pay a fee of from $1.00 to $5.00 for drivers' license which may be revoked by a traffic court or the secretary of state.

"Ninth: Regulation and restriction of the operation of motor busses and trucks in the state and inter-county highways. It is suggested that all commercial vehicles should be placed under the jurisdiction of the state corporation commission and that commercial vehicles using highways should be dealt with as common carriers; that the size, height and speed of the vehicles should be limited by law and that they should be taxed in direct proportion to the benefits they derive from the use of the highways. Legislation of this character should not be for the purpose of crippling companies engaged in the business of commer-

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CHRISTMAS JOY FOR SOME 30 CHILDREN

Last Christmas season several Hickory men and women took it upon themselves to carry happiness into the hearts of the children at the Baker mountain school—and succeeded so well that the fact has come ringing down through another year. This Christmas the children will be remembered again.

Hundreds of Hickory people are personally acquainted with M. H. Johnston, superintendent, woh with his good wife is giving the best that is in him in behalf of these youngsters. Those who know Mr. Johnston are assured in advance that the gifts will be well placed.

Leroy F. Abernethy today started a small campaign in behalf of funds to purchase fruits, candies and toys for the Baker mountain school children. Mr. Abernethy has asked the Record to receive any subscriptions that may be made, and this paper gladly will do so. Its force will help some too. Collection boxes will be placed at the drug stores and checks can be made out to L. F. Abernethy. Those who want to give a few cents may do so.

There are 30 children in the orphanage, their ages ranging from five years to 16. They are practically dependent on the people of Hickory for their happiness this Christmas—those little joys which mean so much to children of tender years. Let's come forward and help.

FOUR ARE FIRED BY COLLEGE HEAD

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—Resignations of four instructors of the North Carolina State College has been requested as the result of charges that they have been manufacturing home brew in their rooms, it was announced today by Dr. W. C. Riddick, president of the institution.

Dr. Riddick did not give out any details in making his announcement, but stated that his action had followed an investigation by students.

The resignations have been turned in by the instructors, he said, and no legal action is contemplated. The instructors had rooms near the campus.

The names of instructors whose resignations have been requested are C. C. Busbee of Louisiana, T. B. Parks and C. C. Buckner of North Carolina, and J. C. Miller of South Carolina.

HAVING HARD TIME WITH SHIPPING BILL

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 20.—Futile efforts were made again in the senate today by the supporters of the administration shipping bill to determine whether that measure should remain before the senate or be displaced by the Norris agricultural measure.

HERE IS POLAND'S LATEST PRESIDENT

By the Associated Press.
Warsaw, Dec. 20.—Stanislas Wojciechowski was elected president of Poland today to succeed Dr. Gabriel Narupowicz, who was assassinated last Saturday.