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Affairs in the East. war session of the Reichstag, Berlin, Dec. 2 .- Field Marshal Von now being held, practically the Hindenburg and General Mackenzen

are holding their own in the east A general advance is expected in the vicinity of Lodz, where the Russians had almost succeeded in enveloping a large force of Germans, who fought their way out, and captured many prisoners.

German Fleet Gets Ready for Battle

London, Dec. 2 .- Germany's activity is arousing anticipation of a sea fight. An unconfirmed report says many German ships have left Kiel for the North Sea. Several destroyers are now in the harbor of Zeebrugge.

Allies Prosecuting

Vigorous Offensive.

Paris, Dec. 2 .- There is vigorous offensive activity by the Allies between the rivers Aisne and Veite on the main highway leading to the fortress of Laon. A German battery was destroyed at Raonne. A lively bombardment of the Germans is on in the region of Vendrease, which is five miles west of Craonne, and three miles north of the Aisne. This represents that the nearest point to Laon has been attacked by the Allies from the Aisne.

Germans Hold 80.000 Russian Prisoners.

Berlin, Dec. 2 .- In Northern Poland the battles in progress are taking their normal course. In Southern Poland the enemy's attacks have been repulsed. The eastern army has taken 80,000 Russian prisoners since November 1.

VILLA PREPARING TO ATTACK VERA CRUZ

(By the United Press.)

El Paso, Dec. 2.-Carranzista HIGH PYTHIAN OFFICIAL troops from the division of General SPEAKS TONIGHT AT ST. MARY'S Gonzales have cut the railroad between San Luis Potosi and Queretaro, menacing provisional President Gu- who is to conduct the service tonight tierrez in his temporary capital at in the Episcopal church, following the Queretaro. Villa's campaign against program that has been in session for Carranza in his new capital at Vera the past three days, is well known Cruz will begin immediately.

Gutierrez Expected in Capital City. dress here a year or two ago on Washington, Dec. 2 .-- Gutierrez, Pythianism. At that time many of

only business will be voting war credits. Imperial Chancellor Von Vethmann-Holweig today said he expected to outline before the body the position of Germany from a military standpoint.

POINCARE AND GEORGE TO CONFER

Paris, Dec. 2 .- President Poincare left today ostensibly for the purpose of meeting King George of England, who has been visit ing British army headquarters.

POINCARE VISITS ENGLISH KING

Paris, Dec. 2.-President Poincare and General Joffre visited King George at the headquarters of General Sir John French. An attack against Fontaine, m Argonne, has been repulsed by the Allies.

GERMAN ATTACK ON

TRENCHES REPULSED Paris. Dec. 2 .- An official communique from the war office says a German attack on the trenches in the region of Ypres, recently taken by the Allies was repulsed.

POLICEMAN DISCOVERS BOMB THROWER IN ACT

thrower escaped.

(By the United Press.)

Rev. J. H. Dickinson of Goldsboro

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 2 .- It is not New York, Dec. 2 .- Patrolman likely that 10-year-old Max Rubonowitz, arrested yesterday for the murd-Coleman today detected a bombplanter in the act of placing a bomb er of Sammy Hochman, 11 years old, in the hallway of a building at No. will stand trial. The police have 157 Forsythe street. Coleman put evedence that the shooting was acciout the burning fuse. The bombdental.

The lad was today paroled in custody of his father.

SURPRISE TEST BAD FOR

Washington, Dec. 1 .-- Rear Admir-

al Alfred T. Mahan, U. S. N., retired,

acclaimed in naval circles as the

greatest modern writer on naval

strategy died at the naval hospital

here today, aged 74 years. Death

Admiral Mahan had overtaxed his

strength studying the great Euro-

In the early stages of the European

war Admiral Mahan, whose works

are naval text books almost the

world over, discussed for the newspa-

pers the significance of various na-

val maneuvers. He gave up these ac-

tivities when President Wilson issued

his proclamation exhorting navy and

army officers to desist from anything

resembling a partisan discussion of

Admiral Mahan came to Washing-

Funeral services will be held from

St. Thomas' Episcopal church in this

city Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock.

In accordance with Admiral Mahan's

expressed wish services will be of the

simplest character. There will be

no military ceremonies and no honor-

ary pall-bearers. The body will be

FELLOW NOT TO BE TRIED

(By the United Press.)

BOY SLAYER OF LITTLE

ton from his home in Quogue, Long

Island, in early autumn, and had

planned to spend the winter here.

was due to heart trouble.

pean conflict.

the conflict.

taken to Quogue.

ENGINEERS' NERVES. (By the United Press.)

Chicago, Hl., Dec. 1 .- The "surprise test" for the vigilance of locomotive engineers and firemen to see if they are on the watch for danger signals not only is dangerous to the in this city, having delivered an admen, sapping their health, but it also has the effect of the proverbial cry accompanied by Villa, is expected to our people heard and were well pleas-enter Mexico City today to establish ed with him. He is one of the head lack respect for such signals, was tes-himself in the signal of "wolf," teaching the enginement to began again today on the Palmetto

sections. They endorsed the work unteer hre-nghters will be held reg ularly hereafter, as one result of the recent visit to the city of Sherwood

was "handled" in the style of regu-

Regular practice of Kinston's vol-

lars.

Brookwell, ex-chief of the Raleigh department, and now fire prevention expert of the State Insurance Department. Brockwell showed the local firemen some things they had never known about the use of hose and ladder, and urged that the creditable material contained in the two companies he improved. New interest has been taken on by both outfits. Although there is a shade more efficiency manifested by the downtown company, Chief Moseley says, it has nothing in enthusiasm over the new outfit in the eastern part of the city. and he expects to see the East Kinston firemen just as proficient in a

short time. The Board of Aldermen will on Monday night be asked to supply scaling ladders and life belts, to the number of two or three of each, for the use of the firemen, and telephone call boxes to be installed in the homes of members of the department living beyond sound of the alarm bell. It is especially necessary that the homes of foremen, electricians, etc., be thus equipped, the chief states.

CITY MANAGERS TO SWAP IDEAS

(By the United Press.)

Springfield, Ohio, Dec 2 .- Methods of efficiency and economy in city governments will be discussed at the meeting of city managers of the United States today. Managers of every city in the country that has a managerial form of government are scheduled to take part in the sessions which continue through December 4. "We are trying to show that the

managerial plan is the real solution of the problem of municipal government," said Charles E. Ashburner, manager of Springfield. "This city has been governed by a manager and committee of five for over a year and the people declare they will never return to the old plan.

THEY'RE OFF AT PALMETTO TODAY

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 2 .- Racing himself in the national palace as the officials of the K. of P. in North Car-tified here today in the hearing of tinued until January 3. It has been the Western railroad arbitration case. decided to give five stakes.

of the committee of mercy, who are ed because they could not obtain war raising funds in this city for the rerevenue stamps, were needlessly lief of Belgian war sufferers. frightened over what might happen

Of especial significance was the Board's promise to Dr. C. B. McNairy, superintendent of the North Carolina School for the Feeble-Minded, near here, that it would use its efforts for securing an increased appropriation for the institution.

provement of rural highways for clo-

ser intercourse with the surrounding

day to send telegrams to the col-President Canady stated this lectors, and making it plain that morning, after touching upon the the government has no intention of achievements of the Chamber in the prosecuting anybody subject to the past, that the progress of Kinston tax who shows he is willing and ready cannot be deterred by the temporary to buy stamps.

financial stringency now being dissipated, and that the city's prospects MICHIGAN GLEANERS for 1915 are exceedingly bright. The Chamber of Commerce, he believes, will devote its work in the coming Lansing, Mich., Dec. 2 .- Plans for months principally to railroad extenbringing producers and consumers insion and road improvements. Ile to closer relationship, in the belief called attention to building operathat such a movement would tend mations, particularly the new governterially to reduce the high cost of ment building to be erected next year living will be discussed here today at and civic improvements of various the annual convention of Michigan kinds. He regards increased railway Gleaners. facilities and better roads as the big-More than a thousand delegates representing approximately 60,000 gest factors for Kinston's future progress.

farmers in Michigan who are affiliated with the Gleaners organization. attended the convention. The convention will be continued tomorrow. all sessions being held at the armory

> TAFT COMING TO CHAPEL HILL IN THE SPRING.

Chapel Hill, Dec. 1 .- Hon. William Howard Taft, former president of the United States, and now holding a law professorship with Yale University,

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1 .- Thous-

ands of persons in many cities who

spent hours today rushing the offices

internal revenue collectors alarm

if they were not on the minute with

their stamping. The internal reven-

ue bureau in the Treasury Depart-

ment itself, much worried over the

task of getting the law into smooth

working order, found time late in the

TO RAP OLD H. C. OF L.

will deliver a series of three lectures at the University of North Carolina on March 17, 18, and 19, 1915.

many states. J. Horace McFarland of Harrisburg, Penn., president of the Association, alled the convention to order today. Other officials of the Association are: First Vice-President John Nolen, of

country parks comprehensive town Cambridge, Mass., Vice-Presidents: Clinton Rogers Woodruff, Philadelabatement of bill board, smoke and phia; George B. Delley, Dallas, Texas; Directors: Edward Biddle, Carlisle, Pa., George W. Marston, San Diego, tirely surrounded by water. Among those attending the con-J. Lockie Wilson, Toronto, Can., vention are delegates from scores of Charles H. Wacker, Chicago: Treasurer, William B. Howland, New York, Secretary, Richard B. Watrous, Wash- Early today all telephone lines along civic leagues, women's clubs, commercial organizations and delegates especially appointed by governors of ington.

toriums, on the first floor, will have open fireplaces and fixtures that will give them much the appearance of parlors. These will be used for social events whenever desired.

as is known, contains a swimming

pool. Well-equipped kitchen, social

rooms and lavatories are also being

stalled. Two of the smaller andi-

A fireproof safe in the church is a precaution the heads of the church are taking to prevent the destruction of the records, a thing which has happened once or twice before.

The Sunday school room, in the basement, will have sliding doors by which it can be instantly changed from one big room into four compartments for the use of the more important classes. Twenty or more rooms scattered throughout the building, will accommodate various other classes. A pastor's study will be located convenient to the street.

The choir loft and pulpit are to be erected at the back of the main auditorium. A magnificent organ, to cost probably \$5,000 or \$6,000, will be installed. Chimes will be the only thing lacking to make the beautiful edifice metropolitan, and a set of the musical bells is being seriously contemplated.

NATIONAL GINNERS' ASS'N **AT MEMPHIS IN JANUARY**

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 2 .- The National Convention of Ginners, which meets here on January 1 and 2, is expected to "consider the advisability of nailing each gin up in 1915 as soon as it has ginned one-half of the number of bales ginned in 1914," to advance lint and seed prices, unless they advance prior to then.

FIERCE BLIZZARD SWEEPS ALASKAN SHORE

Nome, Alaska, Dec. 1 .-- A furious blizzard has forced the Behring Sea ice pack high upon the shore, and has driven the water farther inland than it has been for several years. All trails are impassable. Several mining camps along the shore are en-

All attempts to move the mails have been abandoned.

the coast were tors down.

prominent civic and social leaders gathered here today when the tenth annual convention of the American Civic Association opened. It will continue until Friday. This is the third time since the founding of the organization that the Association has met at the capital.

The entire proceedings of the first session, with a number of speeches by notables, will be devoted to consideration of the needs of the capital. Subjects prominently before the convention, will relate to city and

CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING IN WASHINGTON (By the United Press.)

Washington, Dec. 2 .- Hundreds of

planning, care of streets and trees,

unnecessary nuisances, neighborhood

improvement and kindred subjects.