PRICE TWO CENTS

AS GOOD AS SAYING YEAR IN RICHMOND THAT WILSON IS TO RUN A SECOND TIME

Grants Permission to Use Name on Indiana Ballot-White House Mum

PORK BARREL IS FLAYED

Wisconsin Representative Accuses Army Engineers -Practical Joker From Tarheeldom Causes Stir In Capital-Bomb Talk

(By the United Press)

Washington, Jan. 7 .- President Wilson is a candidate for re-election, politicians here today agreed when it was learned authoritatively that permission had been granted to place his name on the Indiana primary ballot. The White House is silent.

Strong Attack On Pork Barrel.

Representative Frer of Wisconsin today charged on the floor of the House that "political pull" had caused army engineers to allot money to commercially unimportant projects, while giving small sums to big harbors. He made a terrific attack on the "pork barrel."

Tanheel Causes Stir In Washington.

A man who said he was Dr. John M. Parker of Asheville, N. C., hissed last five months of the year showed into the ear of Secretary Lansing's an increase over the same period of messenger today "what is to prevent 1914, and total figures for 1915 almy dropping a bomb in this hall?" most equal those for the year pre-He was pursued by watchmen and vious. Local permits for December, newspapermen. He declared he said 1915, amounted to \$285,187, showing it as a joke and disappeared.

Bern man who attempted to suicide ed to \$3,244,752. The year saw raby severing one of the arteries in his pid rehabilitation and development cians say. Agostine had bled pro- nitions of war, and those together fusely before his predicament was with other industrial activity were: discovered.

TO MAKE PEACE IN

Count Okuma Is Authority for Declaration That Kaiser Has Sought Separate Negotiations With Japanese and Russians

(By the United Press) the Japanese premier, has told interviewers that Germany has made overtures for a separate peace both to Japan and Russia, which were re-

no army to the Suez canal, it is believed. The Turkish army of one million men, commanded by German officers, to undertake the campaign.

SURVIVORS GREEK SHIP

DANIELS TAKES RAP AT

"PESSIMISTIC PROPHETS"

DISTRICT REVIEWED

Bradstreet's Gets Over the Achievements of All Lines of Business-Splendid Crops, Record-Breaking Bank Clearings, Activity In Building, Railroads Striking It Rich

(Special to The Free Press) Richmond, Va., Jan. .- Bradstreets' report yesterday for Richnond and vicinity:

"The closing month of the year 1915 saw revived activity in practically all lines. Some industries indeed were worked far above normal, and the New Year appears to hold bright prospects for further development in practically all lines of business endeavor. However, under existing conditions the more conservative advise guarding against over-

The larger part of the cotton crop has been marketed at prices far in excess of early expectations. The peanut market shows a steady advance and prices for tobacco have been good. These conditions have enabled farmers and general merchants to catch up with many of their deferred obligations and at this time collections average better than they have for the past three years. Jobbing and wholesale business shared months of the year. Wholesale dry goods, notions, and shoes are very active. The same is true of groceries and provisions. A constantly advancing market favored the wholesale drug and chemical trade. The lumber market, which dragged during the most of the year, now shows more activity. Real estate sales also show improvement and prospects are favorable for the usual sprin

activities.

"Building operations during the an increase of \$72.685 over December, 1914. The total amount of work Frank Agostine, an aged New authorized for the year 1915 amountwrists, will recover, hospital physi- of plants for the manufacture of mu-\$69,381,620, an increase of \$5,645,-230 over November and an increase of \$28,193,767 over the same month of last year. Local clearings for the year 1915 were \$537,261,585, the largest in the history of the city, and an increase of \$115,710,670 over 1914 The Federal Reserve Bank at Rich-TWO CASES, STATES mond now has resources in excess of \$25,000,000, and was the first institution in this new system to declare a dividend to its share-holders. Lo cal banks distributed over \$500,000 in dividends on January first. Deposits in banks show a steady increase and legitimate business demands are readily supplied.

> Railroad reports throughout this district show a steady increase in receipts and the volume of traffic is generally measured only by the equipment; this is particularly applicable to freight traffic.

Failures in this vicinity showed a slight increase in 1915 over 1914, Germans are massed on the Greek however. More than 70 per cent. of these fell in the first half of the year. Retail trade has been satisfactory and showed marked improvement the last four months of the year."

WILKES-BARRE CAR CO. SUES STRIKERS FOR LARGE AMOUNT

(By the United Press)

sengers of the Greek liner Thessalon- local transportation has been para- goods in the world, long has been become common, the Wilkes-Barre The Chinese government has just Railway Co., has sued the strikers in- subscribed 40 per cent. of the capidividually and collectively for \$200,- tal to be invested in two cotton mills, 000 damages for "violation of their at Shanghai and Tien-Tsin. contract and unlawful picketing."

He Remained Away From Death Room In Sing Sing When Girls' Slayer Was Electrocuted — Deputy Warden Cried Over Duty

(By the United Press)

Ossining, N. Y., Jan. 7.-A sensational chase of an escaped prisoner over the roofs of Sing Sing today delayed the execution of Antonoi Ponton, a young Porto Rican. The affair gave the officials the most harrowing time that, has marked the killing of a man here in months. Deputy Warden Miller broke down and wept, following the execution, over the killing of a fellow man."

Warden George Kirchwey followed Osborne's example and remained away as a protest. Ponton stabled Bessie Kromer of Schnectady. The escaped prisoner was recaptured.

ARRIVES WITH SAVED FROM THESSALONIKI

(By the United Press) New York, Jan. 7 .- One hundred and seventy-seven passengers of the Thessaloniki were brought to port on the steamship Patris. Cutters have been sent out to seek the hull, and either tow it in or sink it.

CASE OF NEW HAVEN MEN TO JURY TODAY

(By the United Press) New York, Jan. 7 .- Federal Judge Hunt this morning began the charge to the jury in the trial of the eleven New Haven directors charged with conspiracy to monopolize New England transportation.

The case is expected to go to the jury this afternoon.

EXPECTING

Anglo-French Are Waiting Confidently Behind 37-Mile Line of Fortifications-200,000 of Austro-German-Bulgars Ready

(By the United Press) Saloniki, Jan. 7.-Two hundred thousand Bulgarians, Austrians and border, preparing to assault Saloniki. The attack is expected quickly. There great confidence in the Anglo-French military officials. The Allies are behind a 37-mile circle of fortifications waiting.

CHINA GOING IN FOR **COTTON BUSINESS**

Washington, Jan. 6.- Chinese cot ion manufacturers, with government Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Jan. 7 .- After aid, have made far-reaching plans to weeks of wrangling over wages and wrest from the Japanese their heavy working conditions with its 380 mo- trade in cotton goods and yarns in tormen and conductors, during which China, the largest market for cotton

KIRCHWEY FOLLOWS POSITION BRITISH LOOKS LIKE ALLEN OSBORNE'S EXAMPLE GOVERNMENT IS NOT STANDS BEST SHOW AT MAN'S EXECUTION ENVIABLE ONE NOW SUCCEEDING LAMAR

Under Fire for Conscription and Failure of Dardanelles Campaign

MINISTRY GETS SUPPORT

Of Many Prominent Men of Welcome General Election - Three Ministers Resigned

(By the United Press)

London, Jan. 7 .- The government's position is most critical, under fire, as it is by hostile Unionists opposed to conscription, and for the Dardanelles failure. Gen. Ian Hamilton has ascribed the defeat at Gallipoli as due to the failure to send reinforce-

Powerful men of all parties are coming to the rescue of the ministry, however, fearing the effect of an election. Some supporters say they would welcome a general election. though they believe the people as a whole endorse conscription. The vote of 403 to 105 given the bill at its first there will be a great strike should conscription finally pass.

London, January 7 .- Arthur Henderson, George H. Roberts and Wil-Commissioner of the Treasury, All I three are labor men.

RITITING DOTTFILL

(By the United Press)

SUBMARINE FIRED 100 SHOTS AT STEAMER.

Marseilles, Jan. 7 .- The French steamer Meinan raced into port today after eluding a submarine which fired a hundred shots at

ENTIRE CHINESE PROVINCE IN REVOLT.

Pekin, Jan. 7 .- The entire province of Yunnan is in revolt, Government troops are being sent to the scene. Fifty thousand rebels are waiting for them.

BRITISH SUBMARINE SUNK.

London, Jan. 7-A British submarine has been sunk off the Island of Texel, the Admiralty today announced. The crew was rescued by the Dutch cruiser Noord Brabant.

STORM THRESHING THE ATLANTIC FLEET AT SEA

Norfolk, Jan. 7 .- The battleships of the Atlantic fleet maneuvering at Fanning, Jarvis and Jenkins were on the wrist. Physicians, hastily held back by the storm.

North Carolina Justice's Record Sought By President-Is Much Younger Than Davis-Distinguished Career of the Man

The Free Press was authoritative-Country - Some Would by told this morning that the President has called for the record of Supreme Court Justice W. R. Allen who was Thursday endorsed by Senators Simmons and Overman for the place on the United States Supreme Court bench made vacant by the recent death of Justice Lamar of Georgia. Mr. Wilson has asked for a complete history of the North Carolina jurist's career. Messrs. Overman and Simmons are now getting the data to submit to the President. A telegram received at Goldsboro called for information.

> Justice Allen today is regarded as the favored man for the place. Solicitor General Davis, who, being from West Virginia, is in the same district -the Fourth-with Justice Allen, was the best bet until today. He is, however, more than 60 years of age. Justice Allen is 55.

Justice William R. Allen was born in Duplin county, and has resided reading is a source of gratification. close to Kinston all his life. His The railway employes' heads hint private residence now is in Goldsboro. He is the younger brother of Judge Oliver H. Allen of the Superior Court, a resident of Kinston, and the uncle of Representative Matt. Alliam Brace resigned from the Min-len of Goldsboro. He was a judge istry following the adoption of the of the Superior Court, by appointconscription bill in the House of ment of Governor Carr, before he was Commons last night. The bill passed 30 years of age. He served until the the first reading by a vote of 403 to fusion period, when he was defeated 105. Henderson was president of the by Judge Wm. S. O'B. Robinson. Board of Education and leader of the With the return of Democratic rule Labor party in the House; Brace was Judge Allen ran against and defeat-Parliamentary under Secretary for ed Robinson. He later ran for a Su-Home Affairs and Roberts was Lord preme Court justiceship and won it. He was twice a member of the Legislature, and twice chairman of judiciary committees in the General Assembly.

INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS WORTH ONE ARE GONE

Also \$5,000 In Cash, Taken From Safe Blown By Yeggmen In St. Paul Office-Robbers Got Plunder of Much Value

(By the United Press) St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 7.-The theft of a million dollars' worth of internal revenue stamps and \$5,000 in cash from the vaults of the internal revenue office here was discovered today. The vault had been wrecked by an explosion. Officials say the stamps are negotiable, and are worth easily half a million dollars to the robbers.

SEVERED ARTERY WHILE SPLITTING FIREWOOD.

(By the Eastern Press) New Bern, Jan. 7 .- Mrs. R. C. sea are being lashed by a 70-mile Wayne of 159 Broad street severed gale. The Louisiana and Delaware an artery in her wrist while splitleft today to proceed with the fleet ting wood with a hatchet. The to Cuban waters. The destroyers blade of the batchet struck her full

FIELD WORKER EVANS HERE FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETINGS AFTERNOON AND NIGHT

predict destruction of American in stock is owned by F. M. Kirby, whose a total population of 1,750,000. The Southern Extension Committee of Mr. Evans will address the young

LAYING IT ALL ON THE ADMINISTRATION

Washington Observer Talks of the President's "Tepid Declarations," and Redfield's Ignorance On Dyes stuffs Question-The Defeating of Payne Was "Monumental Mis-Mistake," Declares

"Contrast the tepid declarations of the American President with the frank and practical talk of David Lloyd-George, the British Minister of Munitions," says the Observer of Washington, in a discussion of "Preparedness, explosives, dyes and Congressional opportunity" just issued in bulletin form.

"The second voice to that of the President in a governmental discussion of business matters should be that of the Secretary of Commerce. The report of that official seriously proposes as a safeguard of American chemical plants a remedy so ridiculously futile that business men are laughing at it as the production of an amateur. Secretary Redfield placed upon a miscellaneous collection of consuls and other government employes the duty of determining whether the products of the great German plants were competing unfairly with similar products in the United States, and of excluding them from this country if, in their distinguished judgment, they were. In other words, the Administration officially and formally has declined to come to the aid of the American manufacturer and has preferred to

stand with the German exporter." The Observer dwells upon the "enactment of adequate protective duties" as "the only means that will enable American chemical plants to live." and says that such a "monumental mistake" as the defeat of Sereno E. Payne's efforts for adequate protection will not be made again. "In fact, already Representative Ebenezer J. Hill of Connecticut has introduced a bill which is understood to offer adequate protection to the chemical industry."

A NEW DORMITORY AT THE CASWELL SCHOOL

Being Furnished-Will Accommodate From 80 to 100 Children-In-Increase Enrollment at the Institution Beginning About Jan. 15.

The new dormitory at the Caswell Training School, for which the last Legislature appropriated \$14,000, has just been completed, and is now being furnished. It is located in the rear of the girls' dormitory, and is similar in architecture, dimensions and the materials of which it is constructed to the two "regular" dormitories. The building will be occupied principally by girls of the lowest grade of intelligence. It is not a part of the original architectural plan, which intends the handsomer buildings to be in a semi-circle, with the central building as the keystone.

Two new matrons will be added to the staff of five already at the institution, these to be stationed in the new building. The dormitory will accommodate between 80 and 100 chil dren, which will increase the capacity of the school to 200 or more. There are now about 120 enrolled. About January 15 the first applicants will be accepted. They will be taken by ones and twos and "broken in" to the life at the school in that number, so that it will be some weeks before the capacity of the new building will be attained.

PREACHER HAD A FINE

(By the Eastern Press) New Bern, Jan. 7 .- Rev. R. Thiott, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist church, became excited when a deer struck the animal.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 7 .- The Baptist church's Education Board met brothers, though not triplets, and all here to plan a mid-western Baptist left-handed. They were born in university on the old Des Moines col- 1866, 1872, and 1874, respectively, on

AFFIDAVITS 'SCORE OF SURVIVORS SAY PERSIA NOT WARNED

Grant's Testimony Taken By Consul, With That of Twenty Foreigners

AMERICA'S HANDS TIED

Cannot Act Until Further Information Is Had -Austria May Conceal What She Knows - No One Saw Submarine

(By the United Press)

Washington, Jan. 7 .- American Consul Garrels at Alexandria, today cobled the State Department that he has affidavits from Charles Grant. American, and twenty other survivors of the Persia, saying the vessel was sunk without warning, and that no submarine was seen.

The officers and crew left for England before an opportunity was had to secure their affidavits. This and other information of the sinking was placed before the cabinet at a meeting at noon and was discussed at a meeting of the House and Senate Foreign Relations Committees.

All officials today declared the United States' hands are tied until further evidence is produced.

Ambassador Penfield cabled this morning that Austria had notified him that no report of the sinking had been received. It is believed here that Austria will withhold nothing so far secured on the cause of the sink-

Lusitania Case About Ended.

Washington, Jan. 7 .- The Lusitania case may be settled any hour. It is merely a question of phrasing, it is learned. Ambassador Von Bernstorff and Secretary Lansing are to confer this afternoon. Settlement of this question would leave no subject for controversy between the United States and Germany.

WOMAN'S MISS'NARY SOCIETY OF E. CHURCH COMING

Will Meet In Queen Street Church Here Janaury 19-23-To Be 175 In Attendance, Including a Number Noted Women

The annual meeting of the Woman's

Missionary Society of the North

Carolina conference of the Metho-

dist church will be held in Queen

Street church here beginning January

19 and ending on the 23rd. The con-

vention will be an important affair,

London, Jan. 7 .- Count Okuma officers is to undertake the campaign. Berlin, Jan. 7 .- Germany will send

THESSALONIKI LANDED

New York, Jan. 6 .- The steamship Patris, having on board the 300 pasiki, arrived at Quarantine at 9:50 o'- lyzed and riot and bloodshed have supplied chiefly by Japan and India. clock tonight, and will dock Friday

Daniels, of the Navy, in a speech here gan October 14, 1915.

Cars. Three hundred special mounted tonight at the annual banquet of the Society of Automobile Engineers.

Three hundred special mounted room of the Christian church this afpolice and two troops of state police and two troops of state police and intermediate ing population of 484,815, a whole-have been unable to preserve order.

Mr. Charles F. Evans of Lexing- attention. New York, Jan. 6.—Persons who A large percentage of tha traction sale buying population of 851,639 and ton, Ky., field worker of the All Tonight in the Christian church to do about it. Rev. Mr. Thiot blazed

dustry through the "dumping" of string of stores is amalgamated with 330 men are losing \$5,000 a week in Christian Endeavor, arrived in the people of the city on the work of the cheap foreign-made goods after the the Woolworth string; and Abraham wages and the company \$3,000 a day city Thursday afternoon and continuous the young people in the churches, and in fares. Sventy thousand United ducted a conference with the church his address will be followed with a ophets of evil by Secretary in Wyoming Valley. The strike be- Mine workers and 30,000 textile people of the city at the Baraca class conference of workers. Special mu-

summoned, stopped the offw of blood. tried to play tag with him in the lower part of the county. The chance that Mr. Thiot, who had gone a-gunning, was looking for had arrived. The animal walked directly in front of the preacher at short range and seemed to inquire what he was going away twice. He is not certain a shot

since there are 200 separte societies in the conference, which embraces not quite one-half of the State, with 6,000 members. The societies raised between \$30,000 and \$40,000 last year. There will be around 175 delegates attending the several sessions a day, it is expected. Two returned missionaries will be among those present. SHOT, BUT DEER ESCAPED together with many well-known women of the State. Mrs. R. B. John, wife of a minister formerly stationed here, is president of the Conference Society. She is very well-known in Kinston, Rev. N. H. D. Wilson of Goldsboro, missionary secretary of the conference, will preach on the 23rd, Sunday, at morning. Mrs. Steele of Nashville, Tenn., one of the general officers for mission work of the denomination, will speak to the convention on Sunday night,

> Salem, Conn., Jan. 7.- Charles Henry and Elmer Harris celebrated their birthdays here today. They're