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## DOORS OF WHITE HOUSE SWING WIDE TO THROG OF NEW YEAR'S CALLERS

### Thousands Move Through the Mansion and Grasp the President's Hand

## A HEARTY GREETING IS EXTENDED TO ALL

Heading the line were representatives of the Diplomatic Corps, the Judiciary, the Army, the Navy and Civilian Officials in the various Departments, and after them came a vast number of men and women of all ranks and classes, representatives of the Great Nation in the receiving party at the entrance of the Blue Room stood the President and His Wife and the Members of His Official Family, while through the building swelled the music of the Marine Band.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 1.—Each year the white house doors swing open to all the nation on January 1, and a heartier welcome was never extended to visitors than greeted the thousands who called today to pay their respects to the chief executive. New Year's cheer banished rank and class distinction. The president met ambassador and laborer with the same friendly smile. While the marine band played patriotic airs, the great throng moved slowly through the executive mapoon, and in the greeting of the president men and women of all ages and conditions found renewed devotion to the republic and democratic ideals.

The diplomatic corps, the judiciary, the army, the navy and civilian officials in the various departments were received in turn before thousands of citizens who had been standing in line for hours could meet the president. The president and Mrs. Roosevelt, Vice-President and Mrs. Fairbanks and the members of the cabinet and their wives exchanged New Year's greetings in the library. Here they assembled about a quarter of eleven o'clock, remaining until a few minutes to the hour when, escorted by Captain Frank R. McCoy, United States Cavalry, one of the aides to the president, the entire party descended to the blue room, the president and Mrs. Roosevelt in the lead. The march to the blue room.

As the latter made their appearance at the head of the stairs a fanfare of trumpets by musicians of the marine band stationed in the vestibule announced their coming. The march to the blue room was made by way of the state dining room and the red room, through which all the guests except those of the diplomatic corps came before being presented to the latter assembling in the red room immediately on their arrival by way of the southern entrance to the white house.

By means of a velvet cord twisted with old gold chain blue room had been roped off by us to form a cordon to and uninterrupted passageway for the dignitaries. President Roosevelt took a position near the door at the head of the receiving line. On his right stood Mrs. Roosevelt; to her right Mrs. Fairbanks and on down the line, the ladies of the cabinet taking their positions in the order of precedence. Behind them stood the vice-president and the members of the cabinet. Opposite to the receiving line were the president's aides, with the exception of Colonel Charles S. Brownell and Captain McCoy, who made the introductions. The former included Lieutenant Commander Albert L. Key, U. S. N.; Captain Arthur E. Harding, U. S. M. C.; Lieutenant Chauncey Shafford, U. S. N.; Captain Fitchugh Lee, United States Cavalry; Lieutenant Douglas MacArthur, corps of engineers; Lieutenant C. R. Train, U. S. N.; Lieutenant Philip H. Sheridan, United States Cavalry, and Ensign Semmes Rand, U. S. N.

With the exception of the members of the diplomatic corps, all the introductions to the president were (Continued on Eighth Page.)

## TO INVESTIGATE BLOCK SYSTEMS

### Decision of Interstate Commerce Commission

## FIRST HEARING SET

It will be held Friday—The agreement to investigate follows as a result of the two frightful collisions upon the Southern and the Baltimore & Ohio.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 1.—The interstate commerce commission today reached an agreement to investigate the block signal systems on both the Southern and the Baltimore & Ohio Railways, in view of the recent disastrous collisions and derailments on those roads attended by serious injury and loss of life.

The first hearing, which will be public, will occur in this city Friday, the 4th instant. The commission will make its investigation under a resolution of congress, approved June 30, 1906, empowering the interstate commerce commission to report the use and necessity of block signal systems and appliances for automatic control of railway trains in the United States.

The resolution under which the commission will make its investigation provides that the interstate commerce commission be directed to investigate and report on the use and necessity for block signal systems and appliances for the automatic control of railway trains in the United States. For this purpose the commission is authorized to employ persons who are familiar with the subject and may use such of its own employees as are necessary to make a thorough examination into the matter.

## SAYS LAFOLLETTE'S ACT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL

(By the Associated Press.) Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 1.—Judge McCall of the federal court today declared the Lafollette fellow servant's act unconstitutional. The action was that of Damsella Howard against the Illinois Central Railroad Company. A special representative of the department of justice at Washington argued the case for the government.

## FREE DELIVERY IS CUT OFF FROM PART CITY

(By the Associated Press.) New Orleans, Jan. 1.—Today a considerable portion of New Orleans was cut off from further free mail delivery by order of the postmaster general. Inhabited portions of a large number of New Orleans streets are without sidewalks and these are the parts of the city deprived of free delivery. The city already has contracted to build many of the necessary walks, and it is expected that within a year most of the delivery will be restored.

## THE WAGES OF COAL MINERS ADVANCED

(By the Associated Press.) Denver, Col., Jan. 1.—Wages of coal miners in southern Colorado districts were advanced 10 per cent today. Over 6,000 men are benefited. The increase amounts to \$400,000 a year.

## SENDING OUT 205 LIBRARIES

### Wayne County Leads the List With 43

## WILKES COMES SECOND IN SESSION TWO DAYS

Biennial Period Ended on First of December and This is the Division of the Surplus—During Next Two Years Each Rural School Can Get Six Libraries.

The department of education is sending out 205 rural libraries and 41 supplemental libraries, application having been made for the same by various school districts over the state. There is a biennial appropriation made by the state of \$7,500 for the purpose of placing libraries in the public school, and if this is not applied for during the period, those counties applying for the libraries, even though they may have received their quota, receive the surplus. This agreement in establishing rural libraries is that the county shall raise \$22 and the state gives \$10, and in the case of supplemental libraries the county gives \$5, the school district and state a similar amount. A new biennial period began the first of December, which will give each county an opportunity of getting six new libraries during the next two years.

At the present time Wayne county has a larger number of libraries than any county in the state, but Edgecombe has the largest percentage, there not being a public school in the county without a library. The total number of rural libraries in the state is 1,510. Sampson county has the largest number of supplemental libraries, and is advancing along educational lines in other ways. An election has just been held in what is known as the Hayes district and a local school tax voted.

The surplus to be divided among the counties applying for the libraries amounts to \$2,255, which will be supplemented by \$4,510 on the part of the counties. The following is the number of libraries the counties applying will receive:

- Alamance, 1; Alleghany, 3; Beaufort, 1; Bladen, 2; Buncombe, 5; Caldwell, 2; Carteret, 1; Caswell, 6; Currituck, 1; Davidson, 1; Durham, 8; Franklin, 1; Gaston, 1; Granville, 6; Greene, 5; Guilford, 14; Halifax, 3; Haywood, 1; Henderson, 2; Hertford, 1; Jackson, 1; Martin, 1; Mitchell, 1; Montgomery, 3; New Hanover, 1; Onslow, 2; Pamlico, 3; Person, 10; Polk, 5; Robeson, 7; Stanly, 1; Stokes, 3; Surry, 1; Transylvania, 2; Vance, 1; Wake, 12; Warren, 1; Watagua, 1; Wayne, 43; Wilkes, 37; and Yadkin, 2.

The following receive supplemental libraries:

- Beaufort, 1; Buncombe, 3; Caldwell, 1; Clay, 1; Columbus, 1; Durham, 6; Franklin, 1; Hyde, 1; McDowell, 4; New Hanover, 1; Onslow, 2; Person, 1; Pitt, 1; Richmond, 1; Sampson, 1; Wake, 2; Warren, 1; Wayne, 6; and Wilkes, 7.

## HEARST AGAIN STARTS FIGHT ON M'CLELLAN

(By the Associated Press.) Albany, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The first paper served on the new attorney general, Jackson, today was an application for a reargument of the petition of William R. Hearst for leave to begin quo warranto proceedings to test the title of George B. McClellan to the office of mayor of New York, of which Mr. Hearst claims to have been deprived by fraud and violence in the election of 1905.

## UNION PLUMBERS GO OUT ON A STRIKE

(Special to The Evening Times.) Asheville, N. C., Jan. 1.—All the union plumbers of Asheville went out on strike today. The men demand \$4 per day, instead of \$3.50, and eight hours' work day instead of nine. The demands were refused by the master plumbers.

## ARCHITECTS OF NORTH CAROLINA

### Assemble in City of Raleigh This Afternoon.

## COURT CONVENES NEXT MONDAY

### Six Murder Cases Are on the Docket.

The term is for two weeks and Judge Jones will preside—Total number of cases on the docket is something over ninety—First term since September.

A two weeks' term of criminal court will convene here on next Monday, with Judge Jones of Winston-Salem presiding. This will be the first time that Judge Jones has ever held court in this city and he will have to tackle a large docket, not so large as to the number of cases, but those that are on the docket are of more consequence than usual.

There are six murder cases on the docket and also several in which burglary is charged. The total number of cases is something over ninety, but this is not large when it is taken into consideration that this is the first term of court since September, and the holiday season has been passed through. What is known as the Nall case, which has been on the docket since the September term, 1905, is set for the first Thursday, and it is thought more than probable that the case will be tried. The defendants are J. C. King, L. R. High, Jack Pool and W. F. Durham. All are out on bond. The man who is alleged to have been murdered was an inmate of the insane asylum.

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Robert Parrish, a call boy employed by the Seaboard Air Line and who shot a man at the Johnston Street Station during the latter part of last November. His defense attorney, having shot the man but says it was entirely accidental. He is out on bond. Charles H. Layton, white, is to be tried for the killing of a man by the name of Mooncyhan at the farm of Mr. J. N. Holding near this city. He claims that Mooncyhan started towards him with a stick and he struck him with a shovel in self defense. Layton was released on bond soon after the occurrence. H. J. Bivins, the Seaboard Air Line detective, who shot a man near the water tank, will have to answer to the charge of murder. The man killed was a tramp and the affair occurred during the month of November. Bivins endeavored to gain his freedom by a habeas corpus proceeding, but failed and is still in jail. A. R. Hodge, white, is in jail charged with the murder of a young fellow by the name of Jones. The shooting occurred near Wilmington and Martin streets and Hodge claims that he was showing the pistol to Jones and had no idea it was loaded. Jones lived only a few hours after he was shot.

The remainder of the docket is made up of more or less unimportant cases, with the exception of those cases in which the charge is burglary. As usual, the offense charged in many of the cases is "assault with a deadly weapon."

## HE COURTS AN INQUIRY PENNYPACKER'S MESSAGE TO THE LEGISLATURE.

He Wishes Charges of Extravagance in Connection With Furnishing the New State Capitol Thoroughly Investigated, He Declares.

(By the Associated Press.) Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 1.—The general assembly of Pennsylvania convened at noon today. The session was entirely routine. After the organization and the reading of Governor Pennypacker's last message a recess was taken until January 14, to give the presiding officers time to select the standing committees. The republican party is in a majority in both houses. The real work of the session will begin immediately after the inauguration of Governor-elect Edwin S. Stuart on January 15.

The house organized by the election of Frank B. McClain, of Lancaster, as speaker, and Cyrus E. Woods, of Westmoreland, was again elected president pro tem of the senate. In accepting the office Mr. Woods made a brief speech against excessive legislation. The governor takes up state matters dealing with a score of subjects (Continued on Second Page.)

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## INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF HUGHES UPON THE DEMAND OF THE HOUR

## FARMERS MEET HERE TOMORROW

### Representatives From Fifty-Two Counties.

## COTTON ASSOCIATION

### President Moore and Others Are Already Here—A Large Attendance Expected—Thursday Morning the Election of Officers Comes Up and President Moore Will Doubtless Be Re-elected.

Two hundred representative farmers from the fifty-two counties organized are expected in Raleigh tomorrow to attend the annual convention of the North Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association. Meetings will be held in all of the cotton producing states. President C. C. Moore of Mecklenburg arrived this morning, and the second delegate on the ground was Mr. T. C. Cuthbertson of Union.

The presidents of the various county divisions will assemble in the hall of the house of representatives at 10 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and at the same place at 7:30 p. m. the convention proper will meet to discuss the work done heretofore and to deal with the future. Thursday morning at 10 o'clock the election of officers will be held. President Moore will doubtless be re-elected. Being a modest man he is of the opinion that another farmer could do more for the association, although his friends are more than satisfied with the results he has accomplished.

Fifty-two counties have been organized, as stated, Robeson, which produces the largest amount of cotton, is in excellent shape, and so is Halifax, which recently built a six thousand dollar warehouse. Editor Hilliard of the Scotland Neck Commonwealth, was one of the prime workers in Halifax, and he is due the credit for the fine report to be submitted.

Mr. Moore said today that he expected a large attendance, and the meeting will be important as North Carolina is determined to protect itself against the bears and the gamblers of Wall street.

## M'MANUS IS PROMOTED Assistant General Manager of Southern Railway.

His Headquarters Will Be in Washington—He Received His Appointment Today—Superintendent of Charlotte Division for Four Years.

(Special to The Evening Times.) Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 1.—Mr. P. L. McManus, who has been superintendent of the Charlotte division of the Southern Railway for the past four years, today received an appointment as assistant general manager of the entire system, with headquarters at Washington. Mr. McManus has been recognized as one of the most capable officials in the employ of the Southern, and his appointment will not come as a surprise to those who know him. Mr. McManus lived in Charlotte until a few months ago, when the headquarters of this division of the Southern were moved to Greenville, S. C., and he has made a host of friends for himself and his company in this section.

Markets Closed. All of the markets were closed today on account of the holiday.

### Many Evils We Suffer Have Their Source in the Law Itself

## NOT MORE LAWS BUT BETTER WHAT WE NEED

Not Allegiance to Phrases, but Sympathy With Every Aspiration for the Betterment of Conditions and a Sincere and Patient Effort to Understand Every Need and to Ascertain the Means Best Adapted to Meet It—Wanted Men of Single-minded Devotion to the Public Interests, Who Make Unselfish Service to the State a Point of Knightly Honor—The Inauguration of Mr. Hughes Preceded by a Parade of Various Companies of the National Guard of New York—Address of Retiring Gov. Higgins.

(By the Associated Press.) Albany, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Charles E. Hughes was today inaugurated as governor of New York, in the presence of a large number of men and women, representing the various cities of the state. The ceremonies in the capitol occupied little more than half an hour. Bishop Burke, Roman Catholic, delivered a prayer at the opening of the proceedings, which closed with a benediction pronounced by the bishop of the Episcopal Church. The oath of office was administered by Secretary of State Whitson, following which came the address of welcome by the retiring to the incoming governor, and the response of the latter, both brief.

The inauguration was preceded by a parade of various companies and commands of the Third brigade, National Guard of New York.

The retiring governor, Francis W. Higgins, in welcoming his successor, said: "Upon the shoulders of the chief executive of this state must rest heavy burdens, imposed by constitutions and customs. To execute the laws, to recommend wise measures of legislation, to exercise the appointing power with judgment and discernment, to defend the liberties and enforce the rights of eight million people—these are duties which try the mental, moral and physical strength to the utmost. To this office the people of the state, reposing well deserved confidence in your independence, patriotism, ability and integrity, have called you."

"I welcome you and wish you God-speed."

Governor Hughes, after a few words of compliment to the administration of Governor Higgins, addressed himself to his "fellow-citizens," saying, in part: "We have reason to congratulate ourselves that, coincident with our prosperity, there is an emphatic assertion of popular rights and a keen resentment of public wrongs. There is no paucity in executive or legislative action for all the ills of society which spring from the frailties and defects of the human nature of its members. But this furnishes no excuse for complacent inactivity and no reason for the toleration of wrongs made possible by the defective or inadequate legislation or by administrative partiality or inefficiency."

"Whether or not we have laws enough, we certainly have enough of ill-considered legislation, and the question is not as to the quantity, but as to the quality of our present and of our proposed enactments."

"Slowly but surely the people have narrowed the opportunities for selfish aggression, and the demand of the hour and of all hours is not allegiance to phrases, but sympathy with every aspiration for the betterment of conditions and a sincere, patient effort to understand every need and to ascertain the means best adapted to meet it. It is the capacity for such close examination, without or disqualifying prejudices, which distinguishes the constructive legislator." (Continued on Page Eight.)