

THE WEATHER
For Raleigh and vicinity: Partly cloudy to cloudy with local showers tonight or Thursday; cooler tonight.
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THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS MEETING

Interesting Session Last Night At Which Annual Reports Are Read

OLD OFFICERS ELECTED

Dr. Hubert A. Royster Re-elected President and Col. Fred A. Olds Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce for the Coming Year—President's and Secretary's Reports Show That Raleigh is Having a Healthy Growth—The Work of the Past Year Reviewed—Their Officers Elected—An Effort Being Made to Secure New Members—Proceedings of Last Night's Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held last night and was well attended. The reports of the president and secretary were listened to with a great deal of interest and were revelations to those who had not kept up with the city's great progress during the past year, nor had considered the many improvements that are in the process of construction.

The Officers.
The following officers were elected: President—Hubert A. Royster. First Vice President—H. H. Carr. Second Vice President—R. W. Winston. Secretary—F. A. Olds. Treasurer—B. S. Jerman. The executive committee, consisting of twelve members, will be appointed later by the president. That the efforts of Dr. Royster and Col. Olds in behalf of the city met with the hearty approval of the members was shown by their unanimous re-election as president and secretary respectively. These gentlemen are wide-awake and are devoting their time to the upbuilding of Raleigh, and they merited the approval received last night.

Many matters of interest to the city were discussed by the meeting, among them being the Masonic Home for the Aged and Infirm. A committee consisting of Dr. Charles Lee Smith, Col. Fred A. Olds and Mr. H. T. Hicks has been appointed to try to secure this institution and will confer with the Board of Aldermen about the matter at an early date.

Dr. Royster's Report.
To the Members of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce and Industry:
Gentlemen: The rules of our organization require that the president at the expiration of his term of office shall make an annual address, setting forth what has been accomplished. (Continued on Page Two.)

SMALL EXPLOSION IN COAL MINE

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Linton, Ind., Sept. 14—The explosion of a pocket of gas in the Dugger mine about five miles west of here, this afternoon, resulted in the killing of Andrew Baxter, the fatal injury of Bert Reese, and the painful burning of about ten other miners. Reese suffered a fractured skull and is expected to die.

The men were hurled backward and covered with slate and debris. Baxter and Reese were foremost and received the full force of the explosion, which is believed to have come from the miner's lamp worn by Baxter.

About 400 men are employed in the mine and the explosion and excitement led to the report that 200 had been entombed. Only a dozen men were employed in the entry where the explosion occurred.

Life Sentence For Clemenson.
(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Chicago, Sept. 14—Dr. Haldane Clemenson today was sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his wife in the spring of 1909 by injecting morphine into her arm.

A SLAP AT DUNCAN

President Cutting Loose From Patronage System

The President and His New Advisers in North Carolina Propose to Take Patronage Out of the Hands of the National Committeeman.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Beverly, Mass., Sept. 14—President Taft has taken his first important step toward cutting loose from the republican customs of dispensing patronage in the southern states according to the recommendations of referees, who, being given control of the patronage generally deliver the delegates of their states to the administration at the following convention for the nomination of a president. This is taken to mean the ultimate disappearance of the negro as a strong factor in southern republicanism.

The new arrangement has been started with North Carolina, according to information received here today. Mr. Taft and his advisers believe they have a chance to carry North Carolina in the coming elections and they are busy building up a business men's party. They desire to make republicanism respectable in North Carolina and other southern states.

By the innovation National Committeeman Duncan loses his old position as the hander of the patronage. At a recent conference in the state, with and under the approval of the president, Representative Morehead and a large committee of prominent republicans throughout the state took upon themselves the task of making recommendations to Washington in the future regarding the men who should be put on the federal payroll. Henceforth, it is said, Duncan, who has had all the power as referee, will have but little, if anything, to say in the matter.

It cannot be denied that the blow at the referee system is also the death blow of any great influence on the part of the negroes in the make up of delegations to national conventions in the future. The whole movement for a "business men's party" and for improving republicanism in the south tends to the selection of white delegates rather than negroes. North Carolina's committee on patronage will control the federal jobs absolutely. If the committee cannot find good republicans, it will pick out good democrats, it is said. The intent is to make an end of the old cry in the south that the republican party is dominated by an objectionable element of the population, whether that element be black or white.

ANOTHER INSURGENT VICTORY.

Carry the State of Washington Over the Old Guard.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Seattle, Wash., Sept. 14—Progressives bear the banners of radical insurgency have gone in the state of Washington. The direct primary election for the nominations held throughout the state today resulted in an overwhelming victory for Miles Poindexter, one of the conspicuous members of the original band of insurgents, over Judge Thomas Burke, the regular republican and administration candidate for United States senator from the state of Washington. William E. Humphrey, congressman from the first district, was apparently defeated for re-nomination. Most likely two and possibly all of the three congressional districts were carried by the insurgents.

Poindexter, the count shows, has carried every county in the state and probably Seattle, which has been the home of Judge Burke for a third of a century.

MAN NOT IDENTIFIED.

Body of Young Man Found Near Fort Myer.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Washington, Sept. 14—Inspector Boardman, chief of detectives, said today regarding the finding of the body of a young man, presumably murdered, at Fort Myer, Va., yesterday, that no clue has been found which would lead to the identity of the dead man, although an investigation is being conducted by the police.

As a possible means of identifying the dead man a photograph has been taken of him and an impression of the finger tips.

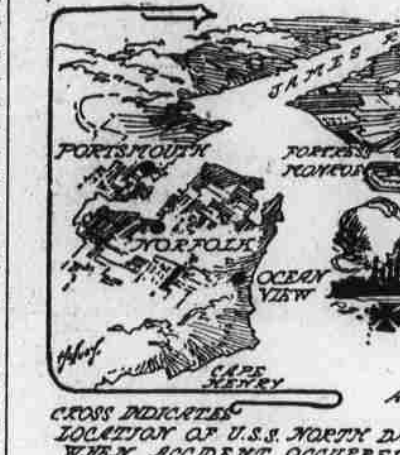
These will be produced and sent broadcast throughout the country. "Only to about \$500,000, I think"—Catholic Standard and Times.

BOTH SIDES FIGURING

One Maine District Still In Doubt

Democrats Have Big Majority in the Joint Session of the Legislature—Have Over Twenty Majority in House and Ten in Senate.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Augusta, Me., Sept. 14—The semi-official announcement was made in democratic circles today that recounts



The battleship North Dakota, Captain Albert Gleaves, her commander and man showing where an explosion of oil fuel on the vessel killed three and injured nine recently. The accident occurred far from any shore and for several hours the wildest rumors circulated, one being that the ship and also its companion, the Delaware, had blown up. The three killed were all coal-passers. Two warrant officers were among the injured. A board of inquiry will be called to investigate the disaster. It is understood that it was not due to remissness of any on-board. The oil fuel was being used for a test on one boiler.

would be demanded in the first and possibly in the fourth congressional districts. The latest tabulated returns of Monday's election give Asher C. Hinds (republican) a majority of 324 votes over William M. Pennell (democrat) in the first district. Both sides still claimed victory in the fourth district today. Republican leaders said that Frank E. Guernsey had been elected by 200 plurality over his democratic opponent, George M. Hanson, while democrats claim that Mr. Hanson is the victor by at least 154 votes.

Although practically all the returns were in today counter claims were made in some instances both sides give figures to back up these claims. Formal announcements by democrats for the United States senatorship to succeed United States Senator Hale were looked for today. The republican leaders predicted that, in view of the many names mentioned, a factional fight may prevent harmony among the democrats when it comes to selecting a man to take the Hale toga. Six names were prominently mentioned today with indications that others would be forthcoming. The democrats conspicuously names Charles F. Johnson, of Waterville who was twice the democratic nominee for governor; William M. Pennell of Brunswick, who was defeated for congress in the first district; ex-State Senator Oakley Curtis, of Portland; Judge William H. Newell, of Lewiston; James C. Hamlen, of Portland, a former nominee for congress in the first district; and ex-State Senator Lindley M. Staples, of Washington.

The legislature which convenes in January, will have the redistricting of the congressional, legislative and council districts to stand for a decade. It was made evident by final returns today that the democrats will control twenty-one out of thirty-one state senators and eighty-six out of 150 representatives to the state legislature. Returns from less than a score of towns and cities were still missing this morning.

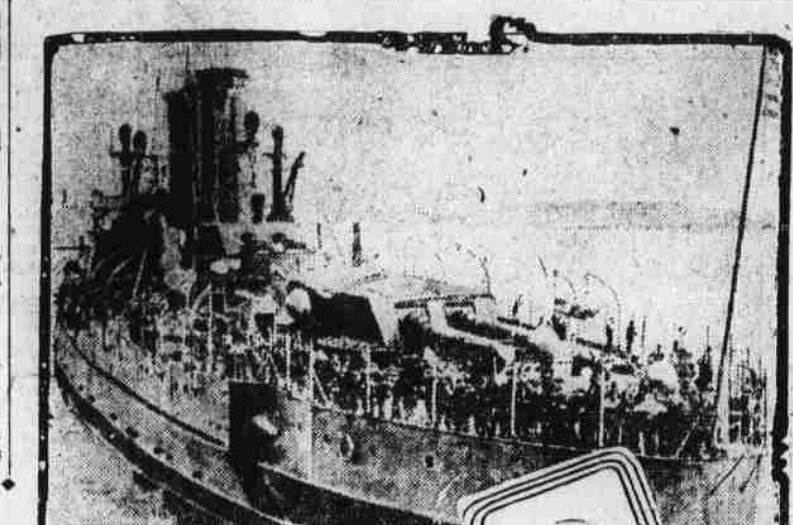
MISS MANNERING ILL.

Operation For Appendicitis Performed—Condition Serious.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
New York, Sept. 14—That Miss Mary Manning, the actress, divorced wife of James K. Hackett, is seriously ill in Roosevelt Hospital, following an operation for appendicitis, became known today. At the hospital this morning it was said there was no change in Miss Manning's condition since yesterday. Miss Manning was at rehearsal Monday when she suddenly was taken ill. She went to her apartments at Sixty-fifth street and Central Park, west, and yesterday she was hurried to the hospital, where an operation was performed immediately by Dr. George E. Brewer.

Miss Manning was preparing to play the leading role in "A Man's World", with the Shuberts managing the production.

Negro Baptist Convention.
New Orleans, La., Sept. 14—Seven thousand delegates to the national convention of Negro Baptists were welcomed to Louisiana and to the city by Mayor Behrman when the convention opened this morning.



WILL ENDORSE HOOPER

Tennessee Independents Follow Original Program

Patterson Machine Opponents Not Heeded by the Independents—Adopt Strong Platform, Denouncing Patterson Methods.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 14—The Tennessee independent democratic convention met at noon with every indication of a short and harmonious session.

Despite the withdrawal of Governor Patterson from the race for governor and the urgent proposal in behalf of harmony in the party submitted yesterday by the Patterson state committee the original program will be carried out. B. W. Hooper, republican nominee for governor, will be endorsed, and B. A. Enloe, railroad commissioner, will be nominated to succeed himself. A new state committee will be chosen and a platform declaring for the retention of the prohibition laws and the election laws will be adopted. There has been some possibility of discord arising over the question of endorsing a candidate for state comptroller. This possibility has been removed by the candidates themselves, none of whom will ask for endorsement. Senator Robert L. Taylor, who has become a strong advocate for harmony, is in

PROGRESSIVES WIN IN CITY PRIMARIES

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
New York, Sept. 14—County Chairman Griscom of the New York county republican committee, will go to the republican state convention in Saratoga on the 27th with a solid progressive delegation and all for Colonel Roosevelt. This fact became final today with the complete compilation of the returns for the New York City's primary election.

The initial skirmish between the old guard republican machine and the progressives was a decided victory for the latter in New York county and Kings whereby captured 22 delegates. The Barnes-Woodruff-Wardsworth combination secured 14 delegates in the Long Island and Staten Island districts. While the factional fight in the republican ranks took upon itself national issues in some instances, the democrats fought out their differences over purely local issues.

The chairmanship tilt between Vice President Sherman and Roosevelt is not materially changed today by the results in Greater New York. Through-out the state 316 delegates are pledged to Mr. Sherman and 205 elected so far as progressives, Chairman Griscom's statement yesterday that Colonel Roosevelt would not permit his name to go before the convention for the chairmanship is not taken seriously today.

TRAIN LEAVES TRACK

Crashes Into Station Killing Four Men

Special Train on the Norfolk & Western, Bearing President Johnson and Other Officials, Wrecked—Engineer and Fireman Killed—Ran Into Station.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 14—A special train, bearing President E. L. Johnson, of the Norfolk & Western Railroad, and other high officials, while swinging around a curve at the forty mile clip on the Norfolk & Western left the rails and crashed into the station killing four and fatally wounding three others. The dead are: Track Foreman, Fayette Woolwine, Engineer Burton, Fireman Don Roland, Station Agent G. P. Hughes.

The dying Trainmaster Harry Weller; brakeman Joe Gillespie, Conductor E. C. Crumpler. At least half a dozen others were hurt.

President Johnson, Vice President N. D. Maher and General Manager George Johnson, of the Norfolk & Western, who were on the train at the time, were badly shaken and bruised. The railroad were bound upon a special errand and the engineer had orders to make the best speed he could. Although the tracks of the railroad here are a series of curves, the engine was kept at top speed.

The curve at Delorme is particularly sharp and the station was located at the point. The engineer blew a blast from the whistle as the special took the curve.

No sooner had the whistle sounded than the wheels of the locomotive left the rails and the train was borne straight into structure.

The frame building crumpled up under the smashing contact. The engine ploughed clear through both walls while the men were hurled from the cab. The crash sounded for half a mile. In the private car occupied by the officials the men were hurled to the floor and all were stunned. Every window in the car was broken by flying debris and the occupants were badly cut by flying glass.

The fireman and engineer were crushed to death in the cab. They didn't have time to jump. Station Agent Hughes was standing in the waiting room when the avalanche of steel and iron crashed into the building. Hughes was killed instantly and his body hurled for several hundred feet.

The trainmen in charge of the special were badly hurt and it is feared that all suffered internal injuries. President Johnson, Vice President Maher and General Manager Johnson were assisted to a nearby residence where medical aid was summoned. The fore part of the locomotive was crumpled up into a tangled heap of iron and the escaping steam, slowly scalded Woolwine and Burton to death.

An investigation showed that the high speed of the train caused the rails to spread.

EARLY MORNING FIRE.

Guests Driven From Hotel—Many Narrow Escapes.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
New Haven, Conn., Sept. 14—Twenty-five actresses and scores of other guests were driven from the Hotel Oneco in their sleeping attire in a fire early today and before the flames were checked they had swept to adjoining buildings and done damage estimated at nearly half a million dollars. No one was injured but the fleeing guests were delayed and other effects were hurried away in taxicabs and closed vehicles.

The damage: Woods Brothers building \$90,000; Drugstore \$40,000; Regal Furniture Company building \$60,000; and \$35,000 worth of stock destroyed; Max Ripps' department store stock \$40,000; Hotel Oneco \$25,000; Max Osterweiss cigar factory \$1,000.

The fire was discovered in the basement of the Max Ripps' department store shortly after midnight and before the firemen arrived the interior building was a seething furnace.

So swiftly did the flames sweep that they were soon eating their way through the adjoining buildings to the hotel. The greatest excitement prevailed. Women guests in the upper stories of the hotel opened the windows of their rooms and many were preparing to jump into the streets before attachments of the hotel stopped them. The hotel building was filled with smoke and the screams of the frightened guests who had lost their way in the smoke filled corridors could be heard.

A general alarm was turned in and while some of the firemen turned their attention to getting the guests out of the hotel in safety the others directed their efforts to preventing the spread of the flames. For two hours the firemen worked valiantly driven back by the fire. They made their last stand on the roof of the hotel from which vantage point they were able to conquer the blaze.

Born January 8, 1814, Miss Mary Lane Martin, of Quincy, Pa., is the oldest woman in Franklin county. She is a habitual smoker, using 10 pipesful of tobacco a day. One sister lived to be 94 years old, and she has a brother in Mont Alto who is 90.

THE CRIPPEN HEARING ON AGAIN TODAY

Defense Will Follow American Methods In Effort to Save Prisoners

BIG CROWDS IN COURT

Trial of the Famous Case Resumed Again—Big Crowd, Including Great Number of Women Present—Report That Mrs. Crippen Lives and is in America—Expert Witnesses for the Defense to Carry the Case Along American Lines—Crippen and the Girl Both Show Effects of Prison Life.

(By Cable to The Times)
London, Sept. 14—In the opinion of legal experts who attended today's session of the trial of Dr. H. H. Crippen, charged with murdering his American wife, and Miss Ethel LeNeve, his typist, charged with being an accessory after the fact, the case of the prosecution received a staggering blow from the testimony of the government's own experts.

The murder charge all but fell through when Prof. Augustus J. Pepper, the eminent pathologist of the University of London, admitted under cross-examination by Crippen's counsel that it was impossible to say whether the remains found in the cellar of Crippen's Hilldrop Crescent residence were those of a male or female. Later Dr. Pepper admitted that, owing to the condition of the remains, it was impossible to tell the cause of death.

Dr. Marshall, another government expert, corroborated his colleague in saying that it was impossible to say whether the body was that of a man or woman. In testifying concerning the scar upon an intact portion of the abdomen, Dr. Marshall said that in his opinion, it was from an old wound and may have been the cleatrix of an operation.

As the case stood today at the end of today's proceedings, no proof had been established that Belle Elmore is dead or that any actual crime has been committed.

Dr. Crippen, who has followed every phase of his case and been even quicker than his counsel at times, instantly to note points for or against him, was plainly jubilant at the end of today's session and smiled triumphantly at Miss LeNeve just before they were taken back to their cells.

THE HEARING.

London, Sept. 14—The trial of Dr. H. H. Crippen, charged with murdering his wife, Belle Elmore, and Miss Ethel LeNeve, charged with being an accessory after the fact, was resumed.

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COUNT ZEPPELIN LOSES AIRSHIP

(By Cable to The Times)
Berlin, Sept. 14—A dispatch from Baden-Baden says that Count Zeppelin's new airship VI was destroyed by fire there today.

The giant dirigible was destroyed by the explosion of the motor in the rear gondola as she was entering her hangar. The entire car was soon a mass of flames. Three members of the crew were seriously injured.

Apparently Count Zeppelin's ill luck continues to follow him, in his construction of airships.

The Zeppelin VI was completed several weeks ago, and was to take the place of the Deutschland, another of Count Zeppelin's airships which was destroyed a few days after he had opened up a passenger air route between Friedrichshafen and Duesseldorf. The Deutschland, which carried thirty passengers, was destroyed, when one of her motors went wrong, and after being buffeted by the winds fell and was wrecked at Osnabrueck. None of the passengers were hurt.

Immediately after the wreck of this ship Count Zeppelin began construction of the Zeppelin VII, which, according to reports was burned today. The Zeppelin VII was larger than the Deutschland and was fitted more elaborately. She was to have opened up regular passenger air traffic between Friedrichshafen and Duesseldorf within a few days.