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Peculiar After Effects of Grip this Year. Leaves Kidneys in Weakened Condition.

Doctors in all parts of the country have been kept busy with the epidemic of grip which has visited so many homes. The symptoms of grip this year are often very distressing and leave the system in a run down condition, particularly the kidneys which seem to suffer most, as almost every victim complains of lame back and urinary troubles which should not be neglected, as these danger signals often lead to dangerous kidney troubles. Druggists report a large sale on Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root which so many people say soon heals and strengthens the kidneys after an attack of grip. Swamp-Root is a great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, and, being an herbal compound, has a gentle healing effect on the kidneys, which is almost immediately noticed in most cases by those who try it. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., offer to send a sample size bottle of Swamp-Root, on receipt of ten cents, to every sufferer who request it. A trial will convince any one who may be in need of it. Regular size bottles 50 cents and \$1.00. For sale at all druggists. Be sure to mention this paper.

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EXPECTED TO BECOME FLOOR LEADER. Claude Kitchin Regarded as Logical Successor to Underwood.

Claude Kitchin, of Scotland Neck, N. C., is a man people will hear a good deal about in the next few years if he becomes chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives—and that seems fairly well assured.

Chairman Underwood announced months ago that if not elected Senator from Alabama he would retire from public life. When Underwood leaves the House Kitchin is slated to succeed him as majority leader. A. Mitchell Palmer, of Pennsylvania, was his most formidable opponent, and now that Palmer has declined to be a candidate, Kitchin seems to have a clear field.

The chairman of the Ways and Means Committee is more than the leader of the majority, "the floor leader of the House." Under the new rules he has become, in fact, more powerful than the Speaker himself. Perhaps the present condition is due in some degree to Mr. Underwood's compelling personality, but whoever occupies the Ways and Means chairmanship not only wields great influence, but is probably the strongest man in Congress. It follows that the personality of the man who is to occupy the position is of interest to the entire country.

YOUNG AND A BORN FIGHTER.

Mr. Kitchin is a born fighter and revels in debate. Like Underwood, he has specialized on the tariff, and it was his strikingly able speech in the final debate on the Payne Aldrich tariff bill that brought him into the public eye as one of the most promising young members of the House—for he is still young, only 45 years old March 24 next. Kitchin is from North Carolina and represents the Second district. And it is interesting to note that this is the same district represented years ago by Senator F. M. Simmons, chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance, who piloted the tariff bill through the Senate and shared honors with Underwood.

That district is in the eastern section, which produces the shrewdest politicians in North Carolina, where the people have a natural aptitude for politics, as they have on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. And Claude Kitchin comes of a family of politicians. His father, William H. Kitchin, one of the "old Romans" of the Allen G. Thurman type, represented the district in Congress a generation ago. Captain "Buck" Kitchin, as he was familiarly known, was a power on the hustings, a famous "rough-and-tumble" debater, and a man of sterling qualities.

SONS TOOK TO POLITICS.

When his sons grew up they took to the law and politics as naturally as a duck takes to water. William W. Kitchin, the elder brother and his father's namesake, was the first to go to Congress. He had moved to Roxboro, where he was practicing law, and represented for 12 years the great tobacco manufacturing district, the Fifth. Claude remained in the old home county, Halifax, and eventually was elected to Congress. So there were two brothers in the House at the same time, representing districts in different sections of the State.

The younger brother began his

service with the Fifty-eighth Congress, 12 years ago. William retired six years ago and became Governor, served his term of four years and made the race for the Senate against Simmons, but was defeated. Claude has remained steadily in Congress and has developed with the years.

HAS A TASTE FOR TARIFF.

He was soon recognized as a young man of more than ordinary ability, a gifted speaker and a hard worker, who did not hesitate to tackle the most intricate problems. He has a taste for the tariff and was one of Champ Clark's lieutenants in the days when the Democrats were in a hopeless minority and there seemed little chance of ever getting the tariff revised downward. And Kitchin was one of those who thundered continually against the dictatorship of Speaker Cannon and was entitled to rejoice at his overthrow.

When the Payne-Aldrich bill was introduced, at the beginning of the Taft administration, Kitchin was found to be one of the best-equipped men on the Democratic side. He knew a lot about the tariff, entertained very decided views and was consulted by Clark and Underwood. His chance came in in the closing debate on the Republican bill, when he gave Seneno Payne and Speaker Cannon, the Dalzells and the Forneys a scolding they did not forget. While some other Democrats were willing to bargain and "get what they could" in the way of protection for their own districts, Kitchin scorned all compromise, took a stand in favor of tariff for revenue only and denounced all those who were "dealing with the enemy."

RAISED ENEMIES IN DISTRICT.

He raised up some enemies for himself in his own district, for he opposed the tariff on lumber, which many of his own people strongly favored. From that time on he has been one of the most trusted lieutenants of Underwood, and while he did not shine so conspicuously in the debate over the Underwood-Simmons bill as did some others, he was one of those who did the hard work on that measure and probably got less credit than he deserved.

When Underwood retires he will be the ranking member of the committee, and both by service and his soundness on the tariff is regarded as well equipped for the leadership. He is a thorough "Underwood man," but at the same time a firm adherent to the Wilson policies. He has stood by the administration consistently and his friends are sure he can be depended upon to stand by the President.

NEVER BELIEVED IN T. R.

Mr. Kitchin has strong likes and dislikes and doesn't mind saying "right out in meeting" what he thinks. He never believed in Mr. Roosevelt, and back in April, 1904, attacked him in a speech that went the rounds of the country. General Charles H. Grosvenor had made a speech eulogizing President Roosevelt as the worthy successor of McKinley. Kitchin showed where Grosvenor had described Roosevelt when Governor of New York as a "brilliant, eratic and curious sort of man," and he described Roosevelt's filling of McKinley's place as "the a-thill taking the place of the mountain, the owl's screech taking the place of the tomb's symphonies, the minnow taking the place of the whale." He raked up Roosevelt's denunciation of Jefferson Davis as an arch-traitor, his remark in a book that throughout the Southern character there "ran a streak of coarse and brutal barbarism," and yet in one of his books Connel Roosevelt "deliberately teaches and advocates lynching for the stealing of a rag-tail Texas pony."

He laughed at the Republicans who, as he said, allowed the President to treat them as if they were a "herd of cattle," and said Mr. Roosevelt looked upon Congress as "his great ranch," with the Republicans as his "round-ups." He read from Roosevelt's "American Ideals" a quotation denouncing General Grosvenor as "a champion of foul government and dishonest politics," and then, turning to Grosvenor, said, "Read that and then read your speech defending the President, and tell the House that you feel like 30 cents."

Kitchin is a fiery speaker when stirred up, and he goes for his opponents with hammer and tongs. Though the North Carolinian may have tamed down a little with long service, Republican Leader James Mann cannot expect to be handled with kid gloves when he gets out his pike and thrusts it at the minority.

If Mann is itching for a fight, Kitchin will give it to him.

SEVEN LINES OF BIOGRAPHY.

Mr. Kitchin's autobiography in the Congressional Directory takes up only seven lines in the book:

"Claude Kitchin, Democrat, of Scotland Neck, was born in Halifax County, near Scotland Neck, March 24, 1869; graduated from Wake Forest College June, 1888, and was married to Miss Kate Mills November 13 of the same year; was admitted to the bar September, 1890, and has since been engaged in the practice of the law at Scotland Neck; never held office until elected to the Fifty-seventh Congress; elected to Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth, Sixty-first and Sixty-second Congresses, and re-elected to the Sixty-third Congress."

That's all; but it reveals that he was married as soon as he got out of college and that his active life has been spent in practicing law and in the House of Representatives.

Mr. Kitchin is a man of attractive personality; tall enough, big enough, with the warm-heartedness and good humor of the typical Southerner. You know he is from the South the minute you hear him begin to speak. He comes of sturdy old Scotch-Irish stock and is a man of the people, thoroughly democratic.

GIVES IMPRESSION OF YOUTH.

Though now in middle life, he is so vigorous that he gives the impression of abounding youth. And his infectious smile betrays the keen sense of humor that keeps bubbling up. But he has force, as well as fire and wit, in his oratory. He is a hard student and when he gets up to speak generally knows what he is talking about.

Few who heard his speech on the Payne-Aldrich bill have forgotten that terrific exposure of the fraud and sham of Republican "revision" of the tariff, or his denunciation of the Democrats who were dealing with Payne and Aldrich, which culminated in his utter rejection of protection for his own people when he exclaimed: "I want no stealing for North Carolina."—J. W. J., in Baltimore Sun.

Governor of Virginia Signs Act

Richmond, Va., Feb. 18.—Despite the claims of the opponents of the measure that it failed to get a constitutional majority in the Senate, Governor Stuart today signed the enabling act.

It is understood that in the event one-fourth of the voters who voted for state-wide prohibition, Governor Stuart will proclaim the State dry on and after November 1, 1916.

It is understood that in the event one-fourth of the voters who balloted in November petition for the election, opponents of the state-wide bill will institute legal proceedings and seek to restrain Governor Stuart from calling the election because of the alleged unconstitutionality of the measure.

Should the election be held, all persons who voted last November as well as those who vote in the coming spring elections, will be eligible to vote on September 24.

The pen with which the enabling act was signed will be highly treasured by the Anti-Saloon League. It is a gold pen belonging to the Rev. Dr. W. Ashbury Christian, pastor of Union Station Methodist church. Dr. Christian wrote his "History of Richmond" with the pen. When the enabling act reached Governor Stuart's office Monday, Dr. Christian took the pen there and asked that it be used in the event the bill was signed. Governor Stuart inquired if he should use the pen in case he decided to veto the measure. Dr. Christian replied that in the event of a veto that Senator Lesner, of Norfolk, a strong opponent of the enabling act, be allowed to furnish the pen.

A Winter Cough.

A stubborn, annoying, depressing cough hangs on, racks the body, weakens the lungs, and often leads to serious results. The first dose of Dr. King's New Discovery gives relief. Henry D. Sanders, of Cavendish, was threatened with consumption after having pneumonia. He writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery ought to be in every family; it is certainly the best of all medicines for coughs, colds or lung trouble." Good for children's coughs. Money back if not satisfied. Price 50c. and \$1.00. At all druggists.

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I do not plead a broken heart,
My life knows much of bliss;
And yet at times the hot tears start
Because of joys I miss.
Oh, do not leave the tender things
Unsaid till o'er my brow,
Death's wing its warning flings,
I need your roses now.

If I should take the journey far
Your tears would fall like rain,
And out beyond the evening star
Your soul would call in vain.
But walking closely by your side,
How little you allow,
For human failings none can hide
I need your roses now.

Oh, life would brighten everywhere,
If half the love were shown,
In tender, sympathizing care
That gleams in costly stone.
The honor you too late would give
Give now, I care not how,
For you and you alone, I love
I need your roses now.

—The Family Altar.

Marshalls Not to use Passes

Washington, Feb. 17.—United States marshals cannot appear for railroads and ride upon passes in going to and from their work or in serving subpoenas for the government. This was made plain to Marshall W. T. Dortch, of Raleigh, when he wrote to Attorney General McReynolds and advised him that he was attorney for the Southern railway and that he was using free transportation in his visits throughout the State.

In a letter to Mr. Dortch the attorney general made it very plain that the government was able and willing to pay transportation for its marshals and advised Mr. Dortch not only to give up his pass but to resign as local attorney for the Southern.

The attorney general also wrote Senator Simmons with reference to the matter. Senator Simmons admitted tonight that he had received a letter from McReynolds protesting against his appointee using free transportation. It is believed Mr. Dortch will tender his resignation as attorney for the railroad, separate himself from the "annual" and continue as marshal.

The fact that Mr. Dortch was using free transportation probably would not have been known in Washington had not Dortch himself told the department of justice. His letter was one seeking information as to whether he could continue to be attorney for the railroad and use free transportation while at the same time act as United States marshal. The reply from McReynolds was to the effect that Dortch must discontinue the practice at once.—Parker R. Anderson, in Greensboro News.

Senator Gore Exonerated

Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 18.—United States Senator Thomas P. Gore today was exonerated of the charges of improper conduct by a verdict in his favor returned in District Court here in the suit for \$50,000 damages instituted by Mrs. Minnie E. Bond, of this city. The verdict was returned at 5:40 p. m., ten minutes after the case was given to the jury. Only one ballot was taken.

"We find" the jury stated in the verdict, "the evidence submitted by the plaintiff entirely insufficient on which to base a suit; the said evidence wholly exonerates the defendant, and had the defendant, at the conclusion of the plaintiff's evidence announced that he desired to introduce no evidence and rested his case, our verdict would have been the same in that event as now returned by us, in favor of the defendant."

Dr. Hardy Defeated.

Kinston, Feb. 18.—At 1 o'clock this morning it was announced that Dr. C. Banks McNairy of Lenoir, had been elected to succeed Dr. Ira M. Hardy as superintendent of the School for the Peleble-Minded. The vote is understood as being seven for Dr. McNairy, five for Dr. Hardy. Dr. Hardy in a statement immediately after the report was known, said his interest in the success of the institution would not be abated.

To combat Hog Cholera

Washington, Feb. 16.—A \$500,000 campaign against hog cholera and a horse disease called dourine, is to be financed by a bill passed by the House today and which already has passed the Senate.

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Mr. Kitchin has Eight Vacancies

Representative Claude Kitchin has eight postmasters of the presidential class to name before May 31, and declared today his intention of naming them and getting the matter entirely out of the way before February 1. The offices with the date of expiration of the term of the present postmasters are as follows: Snow Hill, March 7; Whitakers, March 7; Tarboro, March 7; Scotland Neck, March 24; Wilson, March 24; LaGrange, April 4; Weldon, April 21; Kinston, May 31.

There are a number of candidates for each of these offices, but several who started have dropped out as the race proceeded, and the matter has now reached a point where Mr. Kitchin has decided upon the most desirable candidate at most of the offices and will make known his choice, and forward their recommendations to the postoffice department so as to get the matter out of the way.—George H. Manning.

OUR MOTTO. "OTHERS"

Lord help me live from day to day,
In such a self-forgetful way,
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for—OTHERS

Help me in all the work I do;
To ever be sincere and true,
And know that all I'd do for You,
Must needs be done for—OTHERS.

Let "self" be crucified and slain,
And buried deep and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again,
Unless to live for—OTHERS.

And when my work on earth is done
And yet my new work in heaven's
begun,
May I forget the crown I've won,
While thinking still of—OTHERS.

Others, Lord, yes others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me live for others,
That I may live like Thee,
—C. D. Meigs in "Our Dumb Animals."

Will Develop 20,000 Horsepower on Roanoke

A bill has been introduced into the United States Senate to allow the construction of a dam across the Roanoke river at a point where it forms a dividing line between Warren county, this state, and Mecklenburg county, Va. This dam is to develop about 20,000 electric horsepower which is to be transmitted to Norfolk, Petersburg and Suffolk and perhaps to some intermediate places. The dam will be of concrete and about a quarter of a mile in length, and the development will cost something like a million dollars.—Raleigh Times.

February is making haste to justify the expectations of the almanacs. It is a man's right to grumble. It is his duty to act.

If You are Subject to Colds This Editorial will Interest You.

A Great Majority of People Get One or More Colds Every Season and It is of Vital Interest to All to Learn How to Avoid and Relieve Colds Quickly, Since Colds are Said to be Contagious.

Some people think colds are only caught through exposure. This in return is contradicted by the fact that Arctic explorers are peculiarly free from colds. It is more generally accepted that colds are the result of civilized life, due to super-heated rooms and a very rapid change in temperature which causes the nerve centers to be depressed, and still more largely due to contagion—one member of a family imparting a cold to another by sneezing or coughing.

A cold means nothing if relieved quickly. That such a purpose may be accomplished, a quick aid to a cold is an essential. A remedy especially devised to relieve colds quickly is PERUNA.

PERUNA contains such ingredients that have an especially beneficial influence upon the inflamed mucous membranes and the quicker these mucous membranes are given the benefit of a remedy like PERUNA, the quicker the relief and the less contagion.

A neglected cold may become a serious menace to one's own life, and far worse, may endanger one's family.

We insure our homes against fire, our lives against death. Why should we not insure ourselves against colds if possible by having a medicine in the family chest that can be used at once?

PERUNA is a reliable household remedy for colds and should be in every home, for there should be a desire to combat a cold as quickly as possible. This is enlightened hygiene.

People who are feeble and run down are more subject to colds than persons in normal health. Such persons need outdoor life and PERUNA to help build up a strong constitution. If you have a poor appetite that is often a warning that you probably need a tonic like Peruna for Peruna aids the digestive organs. When your appetite is fair and work and exercise do not quickly tire you, your susceptibility to colds diminishes very much.

Persons who object to liquid medicines can now obtain PERUNA TABLETS.