

WEATHER FORECAST. Generally fair and warmer tonight and Tuesday. Moderate Southeast to south winds.

THE WILMINGTON DISPATCH

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN WILMINGTON WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA MONDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 4, 1916 PRICE FIVE CENTS

WHO IS GOING TO WIN OVERLAND AUTOMOBILE?

Large List of Representative Women and Girls Determined to Win One of the Prizes Offered by The Dispatch— People of North Carolina to Decide the Winners.

- THE PRIZES. \$885 Overland Automobile. Ford Automobile. Building Lot. \$100 in Gold. \$75 Victrola. \$50 O. K. Mystic Range. \$10 Sellers Kitchen Cabinet. \$25 Wrist Watch. Two \$60 Diamond Rings.

Who will win the \$885 Overland Automobile... The way the race is starting off, there is going to be a battle royal over the winning of this beautiful car.

There isn't anyone in the territory reached by The Dispatch, but who would be more than delighted to have this automobile presented to them...

When the people of the Tar Heel State get interested in a question, as they are now interested in this big contest, nothing will swerve them, and before the contest shall have finished, many people will have had a voice in proclaiming the winner.

Other questions that have come up for discussion are the winners of the Ford Automobile, the Building Lot at Carolina Beach, the \$100 in gold, the \$75 Victrola, the \$50 Mystic Range, the \$10 Sellers Kitchen Cabinet, the \$25 Wrist Watch and the two \$60 Diamond Rings, which are special prizes.

Unlike most contests, this enterprise pays for every cent invested. Votes are not purchased for so much each, but for every dollar received one hundred cents worth of news of the world is returned.

The Dispatch announced that it would conduct a contest—and in truth, it is a contest. The prizes are not only one automobile, but two five-passenger touring cars, and eight additional prizes, valued at hundreds of dollars.

There is a coupon in each issue of The Dispatch good for ten votes. Clip out every coupon that you can find. Do not hold them for a week's supply, but deposit them often. Do not hold them until the day of expiration—December 16.

Saturday, December 19, will be known as "Twin Subscription Day" in the contest, and each candidate who turns in on or before that day two yearly subscription payments, or one for two years (either old or new), will be given a certificate good for 50,000 extra votes.

To Probe Alleged Election Frauds. Cincinnati, O., Dec. 4.—A special session of the Federal grand jury convened in this city today to investigate election frauds alleged to have been committed on and previous to last Election Day.

Bombs Placed On Ships While In American Port

New York, Dec. 4.—The steamships blown-up in the Russian harbor of Archangel, several weeks ago, with a loss of millions of dollars in munitions and other war material, were destroyed by bombs placed in the cargoes of ships at the pier of the Bush Terminal Company, in this city, it was charged today at police headquarters by the commercial agent of the Imperial Russian embassy.

LITTLE OVER TWO MILLION SOUGHT FOR WATERWAYS

That is What Congress Is Asked to appropriate At Present Session

MONEY ASKED FOR THE CAPE FEAR RIVER

For Work Above and Below Wilmington \$115,000 is Sought—Other North Carolina Projects

(By George H. Manning.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Congress was asked today to appropriate a little over two million dollars during the present session for river and harbor improvements along the North Carolina coast, by the Chief of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors whose estimates for the next fiscal year were forwarded to the House of Representatives by Secretary of War Baker.

The largest item is \$1,000,000 for continuing the improvement of the inland waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort. The other North Carolina items are: Harbor at Beaufort, maintenance, \$4,500; Beaufort Inlet, maintenance, \$14,000; Harbor at Morehead City, maintenance, \$2,000; Shallowbag Bay, maintenance, \$500; Contentna Creek, maintenance, \$1,000; Neuse and Trent rivers, maintenance, \$6,000; North-east, Black and Cape Fear rivers, maintenance, \$5,000; Pamlico and Tar rivers, \$5,000; Roanoke river, maintenance, \$5,000, and Scuppernon river, maintenance, \$3,500.

As congress has already pledged itself to these improvements the amounts asked by the Chief of Engineers are almost sure to be made available before congress adjourns on March 4th.

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENED TODAY

Judge Connor Non-Suited Six Cases—Sheriff Cowan Terminates His Office

Judgement of non-suit was declared in six cases that came before Judge George W. Connor, at the opening of the two weeks' term of Superior Court for the trial of civil cases, this morning. No evidence was heard in any of the cases. After court had been in session an hour and a half, beginning at 9:30 o'clock, adjournment was taken until tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

The cases to be non-suited were Ed. Gause vs. Annie E. Sadgar, et al; G. C. Johnson vs. J. Goldstein; K. C. Eildury vs. D. L. Gore; J. K. Taylor vs. John Thomas; A. P. Moore vs. C. A. Nixon; E. J. Sidbury vs. Pembroke Jones and the City of Wilmington. A number of cases were continued.

Sheriff S. P. Cowan opened court this morning and recessed it shortly afterwards as one of his last official acts. Sheriff Cowan's term came to a close this afternoon at 3 o'clock and his office was taken in charge by the newly elected sheriff, George W. Jackson, who will, for his first time open court tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

UPHOLDS RULING OF GEORGIA COURT

Washington, Dec. 4.—The Georgia court's ruling upholding the constitutionality of an Atlanta ordinance, requiring the licensing of private detectives and sustaining the conviction of Dan S. Lehon, of New Orleans, Southern manager for the W. J. Burns Detective Agency, of violating this law while aiding the Leo M. Frank defense, was today affirmed by the Supreme Court, which dismissed the Lehon appeal.

CONGRESS NOW ON FINAL LAP OF ITS CAREER

Democrats To Speed Up Legislation On Account of Uncertainty

RAILROAD PROGRAM TO BE COMPLETED

Food Embargo Question Also Aft to Bob Up—Other Live Matters Ahead

Washington, Dec. 4.—Congress re-assembled today with three months remaining in which to complete the legislative plans of the first administration of President Wilson.

With prospect of a much reduced majority in the new House, or possibly a line up so close that Democratic control will be in doubt, administration leaders have laid their plans to work at high speed in the hope of enacting the most important part of their program before it is endangered in the Sixty-Fifth congress.

Foremost is completion of President Wilson's railroad legislation program left unfinished at the last session with the passage of the Adamson law. The remainder of the program, which the President will press, includes supplementary legislation to prevent such a nationwide railway strike as was threatened last summer, or in fact, a lockout, until the situation has been investigated.

Second in importance to the railway situation comes the agitation for a restriction of shipments of foodstuffs to Europe. Thousands of petitions asking for an embargo have been received by members of Congress and at the White House. In every case it is argued that the increased cost of living in the United States demands a restriction of shipments abroad.

Woman suffragists, renewing their fight for passage of the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the constitution have laid all the lines for their campaign, and it is possible that their demands may be crowded into the short time congress has to deal with an important budget of legislation.

Prohibitionists, no less ardent than the suffragists, in their demand for a federal amendment, are expected to begin their fight anew.

The first day of the session never sees much business done. Re-elected members get congratulations; defeated ones receive condolence; majority and minority leaders receive ovations as they walk down the aisles.

In accordance with the custom he sets at the beginning of his term, President Wilson will read his address from the clerks desk in the Hall of the House while Senators and Representatives are assembled before him on the benches.

The largest item is \$135,000 for completing the construction of the Customs House and Appraisers Stores at Wilmington, for which \$85,000 was appropriated last year.

The other North Carolina items are as follows: Burlington—Completing post office, \$20,000. Chapel Hill—Purchase of site and commencement construction post office, \$30,000. Charlotte—Completion of post office and court house, \$25,000. Shelby—Completing post office building, \$10,000. Waynesville—Completing post office, \$10,000.

Congress has already authorized this work and as the amounts must be made available without delay to prevent tying up work under the appropriations will be made before congress adjourns in March.

BUCHAREST IS STILL HANGING BY THREAD

Situation for Rumanians Yet Critical Despite the Russian Successes

RESISTING POWER HAS BEEN REINFORCED

Serbian Renew Their Successful Advance—British Cabinet Troubles Settled—Crisis in Greece Apparently Has Passed

Washington, Dec. 4.—When Congress re-convened today President Wilson had the assurance of Speaker Clark and Representative Kitchin, Democratic leader, that they would try and hasten the enactment of the railroad legislation desired by the administration.

Many of the Congressmen today appeared to favor some kind of embargo on food exports, or other action to reduce the soaring food prices. Representative Fitzgerald, Democrat, of New York, has announced his intention to re-introduce today his bill authorizing the President to place an embargo on the exportation of wheat.

GRANT'S REQUEST TO ADVANCE HEARING

Washington, Dec. 4.—Request of the British claimants of the German prize ship, Appam, now at Newport News, Va., to expedite the hearing of the case testing the vessel's ownership, was granted today by the Supreme Court and the case set for argument for January 8.

FLORIDA LAND CASES TO TRIAL

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 4.—The case of the Florida Land Cases, in which the officials of which are charged with using the mails to defraud in the sale of thousands of acres of Florida land, is to be taken up for trial in the Federal court here this week.

Thomas Taggart, Bert M. Fernland, of Maine, was selected to the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Burleigh; William F. Kirby, Democrat, of Arkansas, was elected to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Clarke.

While the organization fight in the House does not come until the assembling of the next congress, the Senate probably will see some political generalship in the selection of a successor to Senator Clarke as president pro tempore.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 4.—The outcome of the municipal elections about to take place in Boston and other Massachusetts cities is awaited with more than ordinary interest, because of the effect that the Billy Sunday campaign now being conducted in this city may have on the vote on the liquor issue.

LIQUOR MEN FEAR REV. BILLY SUNDAY

Billy Sunday, "Ma" Sunday and every member of the evangelist's staff is doing his or her part to swing Boston into the no-license column. According to the no-license and prohibition workers, the liquor people are frightened at the prospects of carrying Boston dry, as well as working to the same end in other cities of the Commonwealth.

CARRANZA AGAIN HOLDS CHIHUAHUA CITY

Washington, Dec. 4.—Official reports to the State Department announce the re-occupation of Chihuahua City by Carranza forces on Sunday. The reports also say that no resistance was encountered and that Villa and his bandits left no indications as to their whereabouts.

LIVE MERCHANTS USE DISPATCH ADVERTISING AND ARE MAKING MONEY. ARE YOU ALIVE?