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ISSUED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

THE NATION'S NEWS

Items Taken From a Great Many Sources.

Condensed News Items Concerning Matters of Interest Occurring Since Our Last Issue.—News of the World at Large.

W. J. Bryan will speak in Raleigh tomorrow.

The Lutherans will probably establish a big college at Salisbury.

The United States may possibly intervene in Panama if conditions demand intervention.

Dr. Cook, the man who claimed he reached the North Pole, is scheduled to speak in Charlotte soon.

Both houses of Congress reassembled at noon Wednesday after a recess for the Christmas holidays.

Several government officials will testify before the House investigating committee in regard to some of the trusts.

The loom fixers of Lowell, Mass., demand an increase in wages of 10 per cent, and 20,000 cotton operatives may be involved.

Over 4,000 people attended the annual White House reception on New Year's and it was the most brilliant one held in years.

Senator Bailey, of Texas, accepts an invitation to speak before the North Carolina Bar Association at its annual meeting in June.

President Fallieres, of France, in a speech declared he thought well of President Taft's efforts towards the ratification of the international treaties.

Governor Eugene N. Foss was endorsed by the Democratic convention of Massachusetts for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States.

J. B. Carraway, who was convicted of embezzlement in 1910 and sentenced to a term of five years in the Federal prison at Atlanta, has been paroled and has returned to his home in Newbern.

Democratic Leader Oscar W. Underwood will not attend the Jackson day banquet at Washington Monday night owing to the fact that Bryan is on the program for that day in a dress which would naturally go un-answered.

At New York Wednesday night the National Democratic Club launched a movement to make tariff reform the paramount issue of the coming Presidential campaign at largely attended dinner at which Governor Wilson was the principal speaker.

"Nothing but death can keep me out of the fight now," President Taft is reported to have made this statement to White House callers on Wednesday, and to have added that he had no objection to the statement being made public.

William J. Bryan makes the following very positive declaration: "I cannot conceive any condition that would make it possible for me to consider the question of my becoming the candidate for the Presidential nomination of the Democratic party in 1912."

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, "Fighting Bob" to an admiring nation, died suddenly Wednesday at his home in Washington. Acute indigestion ended the career of one of the most popular officers in the navy. Admiral Evans was born 65 years ago in Floyd county, Virginia.

The Virginia Corporation Commission has issued a charter to the Lynchburg, Danville and Carolina Railway Company, which proposes to build a steam road between Danville and Lynchburg and touching the James river line of the Chesapeake and Ohio line near the latter city.

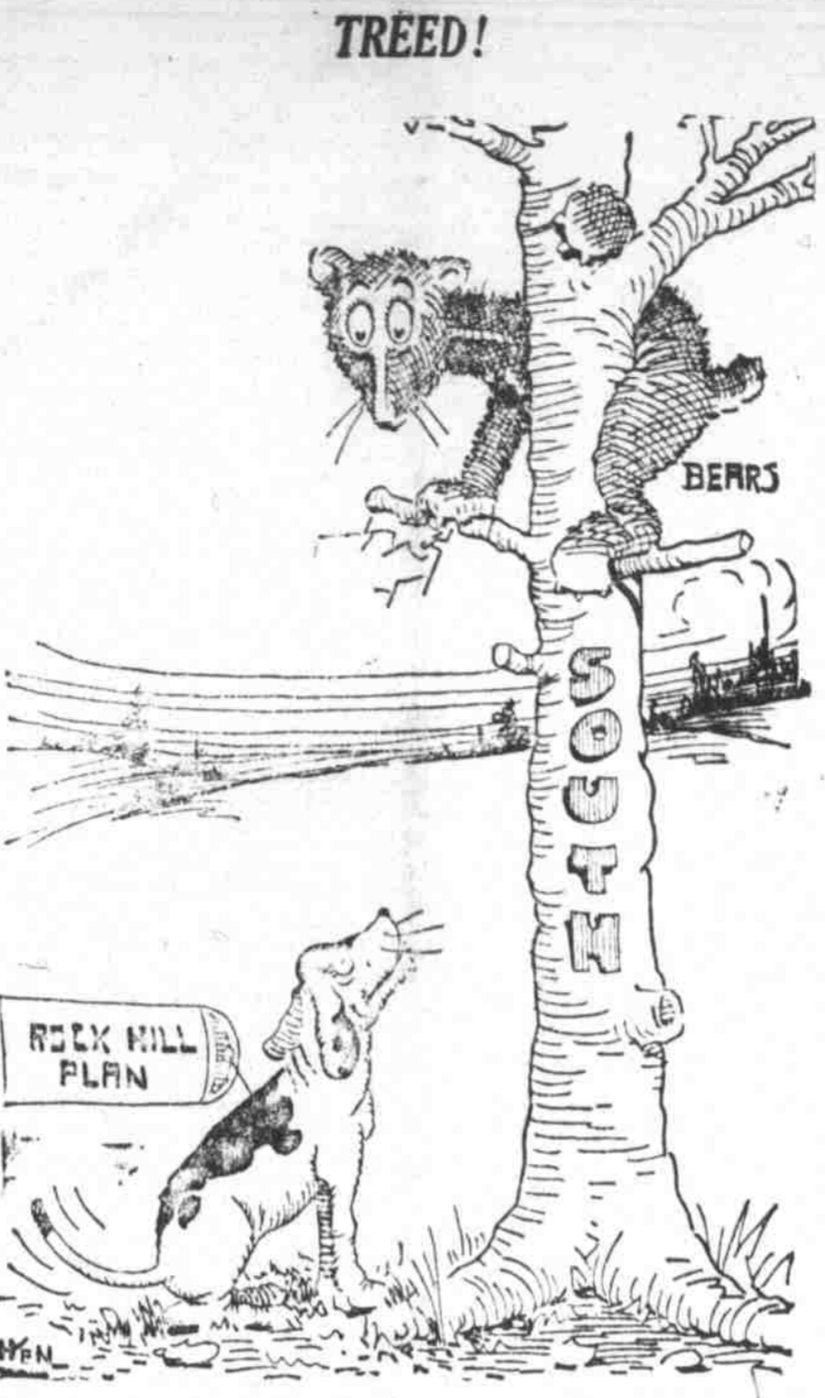
Authority to issue bonds to the amount of \$12,000 for every mile of road was granted the officers of the Elkin and Alleghany Railroad at a meeting of stockholders and directors of the company held at Winston Tuesday. Provision for selling the bonds already has been made. The money will be used to pay for the rails and rolling stock now in use and to extend the line. The road has been completed for a distance of thirteen miles from Elkin in the direction of Alleghany.

The Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson collapsed in his cell in Boston when two of his counsel, William A. Morse and John L. Lee, broached the subject of his recent self mutilation. The subject had no sooner been opened than the former Cambridge pastor paled and seemed to lose all strength, sinking back upon his bed, which he did not rise from again during the conference. Mr. Morse declared that Richeson would have to improve very much to be able to stand trial within two weeks. Worry over the custody of the prisoner is said to be responsible for the death of Sheriff Fred H. Seavey, which occurred Tuesday.

The defense of the American Tobacco Company in a suit brought against it for \$500,000 damages under the Sherman anti-trust law is characterized as immoral in an opinion handed down Tuesday by Judge Ward in the United States District court at New York denying the company's motion for a re-hearing of an order that it file verified answers in the case. The company contended that they had no officers who could verify its answer without tending to incriminate himself, and that if elected such an officer would be a dummy, elected to deceive the court and evade the law, which it contended would be immoral.

President Taft has commuted to expire at once the life sentences of Arthur Adams and Robert Sawyer, two negro British suspects, convicted at Wilmington, N. C., in 1908, of murder on the high seas. In a confession before his execution, Henry Scott, another negro, convicted of and hanged for the same crime, completely exonerated Adams and Sawyer. Originally Adams and Sawyer were sentenced to death, but this was commuted by President Roosevelt to life imprisonment. The prisoners were natives of the British West Indies and the British ambassador intervened to secure consideration for the pleas for executive clemency.

The Progressive Democratic League of Ohio came into being at Columbus Tuesday at a conference of Democrats of nearly every county in that State. Although many of the conferees had entered the gathering with the avowed intention of declaring against the Presidential candidacy of Governor Judson Harmon, the executive's name was mentioned only indirectly, and the organization satisfied itself with the adoption of resolutions urging the members to work against the choice of any delegate to either State or national convention who had not proved himself a tried and true Democrat. The name of William J. Bryan, heralded as "ablest to represent the progressive ideals of any party" was received with applause, and speakers who fanned the Democratic ardor while awaiting the report of the resolutions committee made adherence to him as the final test to a title to the progressive Democracy.



From The Charlotte (N. C.) Evening Chronicle

Revenue Officers Trying To Investigate New Way of Adulterating Whiskey

A Review man was shown an assortment of whiskey bottles this week which appear to have been tampered with. The bottles had contained well known brands of whiskey and were "bottled in bond" goods. Some of the bottles had not been opened and the contents of others had been used. The unused bottles contained the usual government stamp which had not been removed, but an examination revealed that the bottom of the bottles had been cut, a circle being made, and then glued back.

The inference is that after the government gaugers had stamped the whiskey in the warehouses or distilleries where it was bottled and that afterwards the bottles were opened at the bottom by an electric needle or some contrivance and that a large part of the pure whiskey was taken from the bottles and chemicals substituted therefor. One bottle from which only a part of its contents had been used carried an unmistakable odor of embalming fluid.

The party here who exhibited the assortment of bottles which had been tampered with had at some time ago to investigate the contents of a bottle from which half of the liquid had been consumed, the party drinking it dying a few hours later from convulsions. This happened in the West, and the gentleman who made the investigations found the bottle as above stated, and he concluded that the chemicals had been substituted for the liquor after the government gaugers had stamped it and approved it.

Coming to Reidsville he had cause to investigate another case of a party who had been made helpless and critical by the use of liquor and he obtained a similar number of bottles from which the party had been drinking as well as some which he had, but which had not been used, and making examinations he found these bottles had been tampered with.

The matter has been explained to Uncle Sam's revenue officers who have started an investigation. The doping of whiskey has become a common occurrence among the dealers who sell the sorry kinds, and there are people in Reidsville who have said that they had as soon risk chances on taking a dose of unlabeled drugs as to take a drink of liquor which comes from a Reidsville blind tiger, but the new discovery shows also that the liquors bearing the "bottled in bond" stamp are just about as bad. At any rate, a Review man could make affidavit that one bottle contained an odor of embalming fluid. Who would like the idea of taking a dose of this stuff?

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OPENING GUN IN RALEIGH.

Governor Kitchin Lets it Be Made Known He Has a Scorcher Ready.

Governor W. W. Kitchin, who came here Saturday afternoon to attend the annual banquet of the United Commercial Travelers, at which he was the guest of honor and principal speaker, remained with friends here until Sunday afternoon and all day he was the center of a group of admiring friends and political supporters. Though not talking politics while on a visit to Greensboro, Governor Kitchin let it be made known to his friends that at an early date he would, at a speech to be delivered in Raleigh, make formal and positive announcement of his candidacy for the Senate. While no date has been set for this speech it is understood that it will be delivered toward the latter part of February or possibly at an earlier date should circumstances warrant.

Governor Kitchin is apparently well pleased with the political outlook and prospects for Democratic success in both the State and nation. Particularly is he pleased with the shaping of the Senatorial race in this State, the one in which he with Senator Simmons, Judge Clark and ex-Governor Aycock is contesting for the seat now held by Mr. Simmons. In Guilford county Governor Kitchin has many warm and loyal supporters and his visit here has inspired fresh confidence and zeal in such. These without exception feel that the Governor will be successful in his contest for the Senate.

That the speech which Governor Kitchin proposes to deliver in Raleigh will mark an important event in the race for the Senate is conceded, as is the fact that it will be in the nature of a political scorcher. Conjecture or speculation might be indulged in with unlimited scope as to what might transpire, but there will be interesting sentences in the newspaper reports the next day for the three other candidates as well as Editor Daniels, of the Raleigh News and Observer, is even more certain than fate speculation. In fact, friends of the Governor here declare they will feel a bit of disappointment unless some little personalities are indulged in regarding Messrs. Simmons and Daniels.—Greensboro News

Four Southern States — Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and North Carolina—had no lynchings last year. But Georgia, Florida and Oklahoma, with twenty-one among them, furnished very nearly two-thirds of the total for the Union, which was thirty-five, a decline of twelve from the year before and less than one-third as many as we reached about ten years ago.

CITIZENS BANK HAD FINE YEAR.

R. L. Watt Added to Board of Directors and Made President.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of Citizens Bank was held at their banking house yesterday, and the report of the officers for the previous year were altogether gratifying. Besides paying the usual annual dividend of 8 per cent., \$5,000 of the earnings were carried to the surplus fund, making a total surplus of \$35,000, which with the capital stock of \$75,000, makes this the county's biggest and strongest bank.

The report of Cashier Irvin, submitted to the stockholders meeting, showed that the bank had enjoyed one of the most prosperous years in its history, and a resolution of thanks and commendation for the wise and faithful management of the bank's affairs by the officers and directors was unanimously adopted.

The following directors were then re-elected to serve for the ensuing twelve months: Robt. Harris, C. H. Overman, A. J. Whittemore, Jas. Robinson, J. B. Pipkin, C. A. Pann, R. B. Chance, J. N. Watt, W. J. Irvin, R. L. Watt.

Following an adjournment of the stockholders meeting the board of directors went into session and elected the following officers:

President—R. L. Watt.
Vice-President—A. J. Whittemore.
Cashier—Eugene Irvin.

No bank in the State has enjoyed a more consistent growth than the Citizens. It was established more than a quarter of a century ago, and its capital stock of \$12,500, which it had in the beginning, has been increased from time to time to \$75,000, and it enjoys the confidence and esteem of the public and has greatly increased the number of its patrons from year to year.

It will seem natural to see Mr. R. L. Watt in harness again as president of this institution. He has been actively connected with the bank since its incorporation, and served for several years as president, retiring a year ago to take a much needed and well earned rest.

The public generally is delighted at the fine showing made by the Citizens Bank the past year, and congratulates Cashier Irvin and the other officers and directors and stockholders on the splendid record it has made.

SHOOTS HIMSELF.

Albert Lillard, Caswell County Man, Commits Suicide.

Albert Lillard, a well known business man of Quick, Caswell county, committed suicide Wednesday morning. The rash act was committed at the time he had gone out to his stable to see about his stock and cattle. He shot himself and died almost instantly from the injury.

Mr. Lillard had recently returned from the State Hospital at Morganton, where he had been receiving treatment for some time. It was thought that his condition was greatly improved, and since he has been at his home he had been discharging his duties as a clerk in the store of E. B. Blackwell. The news of his tragic death, therefore, came as a great shock to his friends.

His wife was a sister of Mr. E. B. Blackwell, a successful merchant and farmer of Quick. Two children also survive him.

Mr. Lillard was about 38 years of age. He was an industrious, hard-working man, and he was held in the highest esteem by the people of his community.

The funeral services were conducted yesterday, a large concourse of friends attending to pay a last tribute to the memory of the deceased.

Further developments are expected hourly with regard to the mysterious shooting of Mrs. Wesley Jones, which occurred last week near Martinsville, Va., while she was engaged in dressing a rabbit in the rear of her home. It is almost certain that there will be three arrests made, although the names of those who will be apprehended has not yet been disclosed for very obvious reasons. Commonwealth's attorney is ordering the arrests to be made, and as soon as the suspected parties have been apprehended they will be brought for a preliminary hearing. J. M. Davis, the sheriff of Henry county, is now on the scene of the murder, and the Baldwin detectives have been following every available clue which might result in the capturing of the guilty parties.

Carrier Lasley Gives Thanks.

Editors Review: I desire to express my thanks and appreciation to my many patrons for the nice presents and boxes of goods things to eat received during the Christmas holidays. Wishing one and all a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain,
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ROOSEVELT VS. TAFT

President's Friends Satisfied Roosevelt is Candidate.

Many Things Have Conspired to Crystallize Suspicion of Long Standing Into Definite Conviction.—Taft Says He Will Fight.

Parker R. Anderson, Washington correspondent of the Greensboro News, writes that paper as follows:

Suspicious of long standing crystallized to definite conviction among all factions here tonight that Theodore Roosevelt is a candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination. The conviction exists in Mr. Taft's immediate circle at the White House, but Taft answers that he will fight.

"My death should lay its hands on the President's shoulders," said one of the President's closest advisers, "that would settle it, but let no one entertain for a moment that any other contingency will remove him from the field."

Many things have conspired to bring about the crystallization of opinion upon Roosevelt's attitude. These were created yesterday by the action of the Republican progressives at Columbus, O., who, with Gifford Pinchot and James R. Garfield present, adopted a "see whiz" insurgent anti-Taft platform, but refused to endorse La Follette for the Presidency. They made it clear that they were not for Taft, but also while they acclaimed La Follette a great progressive leader, they were not for him. The personality of Roosevelt loomed up in the background of that convention as plainly as a thunder-cloud in an otherwise clear sky.

It is even rumored here in Taft circles that the Taft crowd have themselves sought Roosevelt to remove all doubt about his attitude and that he has refused.

FALSE PRETENSE CHARGED.

Man Alleged to Have Wrongfully Secured Horse and Buggy.

Greensboro, Jan. 2.—J. H. Nunnally, a white man, was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging false pretense, the charge being formed from alleged attempts by him to secure a horse and buggy from a local livery stable with the intention of not paying for them. Officer McFarland made the arrest. At the hearing in the municipal court this morning Judge Eure dismissed the case, it being found that the man is mentally unbalanced.

Nunnally's first offense, according to the information given out today, was done some days ago, when he had a horse and buggy secured from a livery stable, and was driven to Reidsville. It is claimed that he reported that he was in the employ of the telephone company, and that after he reached Reidsville he dodged the driver and did not pay him.

Yesterday he telephoned to another livery stable to have a horse and buggy delivered for another trip to Reidsville, and, it is claimed, gave his name as being with the Southern Bell Telephone Company. The liveryman called up this company and learned that they did not have the man in their employ. He then called up the liveryman from whom the turnout had been secured before, and together they laid their plans.

Policeman McFarland was called into the plan-making and the three then drove to the place where the team was to be delivered, the officer taking the man into custody.

May Affect Small Markets.

Col. G. E. Webb returned yesterday from a trip to New York and Washington in the interest of the Southern Tobacco Journal, of which he is editor.

Col. Webb states that as a result of the dissolution of the American Tobacco Company there are evidences that there will be many changes and that some smaller leaf markets will have to go out of business. Heretofore, one buyer has been able to represent the different branches of the American Tobacco Company on these markets, but under the new plan this is not allowed and it is figured that each separate concern will not maintain a buyer at these places owing to the small amount of leaf sold there, hence the tendency will be, so it is said, to eliminate some of the smaller markets.—Winston-Salem Sentinel.

Another confession, the fifth that she has made since her arrest for the murder of her son-in-law, Frederick Wasserliaben, last Saturday, came from the lips of Mrs. Mary T. Godau at Mobile, Ala., Tuesday afternoon. In the latest confession she admits killing Wasserliaben while he was in bed with his eyes closed.

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