

SUN AT HELM IN CHINA; IS FOR ADVANCE

First Act Makes New Year
Conform to World
Date.

PEOPLE TO HAVE VOICE

Country's Affairs, He Says,
Will Be Directed by Cen-
tral Government.

Nanking, Jan. 2.—Doctor Sun Yat Sen today took the oath of office as provisional president of the Chinese republic, and was formally invested with the powers of the chief executive. The ceremony was simple but dignified, and was attended by all the prominent men of the revolutionary party. Sun, after his arrival in Shanghai ten days ago, was elected president by a national assembly of reformers, representing the provinces of China proper, then in session here, by an almost unanimous vote. At Tien Tsin a strong movement exists among the imperial government troops garrisoning Lanchow, province of Chihli, in favor of a republic.

CHANGES CALENDAR.

The first official act of President Sun was to change the Chinese calendar. He made New Year's day the first day of his presidency, thus marking a new era, making the Chinese year begin henceforth on the same day as the year begins in most other countries of the world. Accompanied by numerous suites and protected by a strong bodyguard, Sun left Shanghai on a special train for Nanking. The trip was without incident except for enthusiasm at all principal stations.

CHIEFS GREET NEW LEADER.
Sun reached Nanking at 6:30 and was greeted with cheering. Many prominent men among the revolutionaries escorted him to the government house, the route to which was lined by 10,000 soldiers. The whole town was beflagged, warships and merchant vessels dressed-ship and the presidential salute was fired from the forts. At the government house he held a reception and was greeted by high officials in the audience chamber. The delegates of 18 provinces witnessed the administration of the oath of office to President Sun.

MANCHUS MUST GO.
Afterwards he delivered an address, promising to disenthrone the Manchus and reestablish peace; promote trade and devote his entire energy to the Chinese nation and aid the Chinese people to realize their aspirations. When the Manchus had finally abdicated and peace restored he would resign his provisional office. President Sun issued a proclamation.

FOR STRONG GOVERNMENT.
He announced that a strong central government would be organized, the entire administration system remodeled and modernized, and a parliament representative of the people elected. The provinces would be autonomous as regards local affairs and each elect its own governor. The army and navy will be made national institutions under control of a central parliament, which would also deal with the country's finances.

OPTIMISTIC FOR FUTURE.
He was optimistic as to the foreign relations of the new government. It is probable Liyuen Hong, republican commander in chief, will become vice president, General Huang Sing premier, and Hu Ting Fang minister of foreign affairs.

THROWING IS RESISTING.
Peking, Jan. 2.—The emperor dowager, who is desirous of carrying out a campaign against the revolutionists, today advanced about \$2,000,000 to Premier Yuan for that purpose. There are indications northern troops are anxious to resume hostilities.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A news agency dispatch from Tien Tsin says Wang Wie Tse, who was sent to Lanchow as a delegate by Premier Yuan, has joined the revolutionists and has been elected leader of troops there. He declares it is his intention to begin a march with his army on Peking tomorrow.

TO SUPPORT IMPERIALS.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 2.—A message from Kalgan, in the Chinese province of Chi Li, says the princes of southern Mongolia have resolved to support the imperial government in fighting against the revolutionaries. They say they will declare independence in the event of the establishment of a republic.

Boy Kills Father.
Sedalia, Mo., Jan. 2.—Because his father, D. M. Wollet, a farmer, tried to chastise him with a strap, Hoyd Wollet, 14, today shot and killed him.

THE ANNUAL ENDURANCE RACE



FORGERIES FORCE A BANK TO CLOSE

Albion, Mich., National Found
to Have Been Defrauded
to Extent of \$90,000.

EXAMINER IS IN CHARGE

Institution Has Been Doing Business
Since 1864—Big Falling Off
in Deposits.

Albion, Mich., Jan. 2.—The Albion National bank closed today. A notice on the door says the bank is in the hands of the controller of the currency. The bank's deposits are said to have fallen from \$246,000 Sept. 1, 1910, to about \$200,000 at present. The capital is \$50,000 and the surplus and undivided profits Sept. 1, 1910, were \$123,356. The Albion National bank in 1904 succeeded the First National bank which was organized in 1864. W. O'Donnogh is president and P. M. Deering cashier.

EXAMINER REPORTS.
Federal Examiner Johnson, in charge of the Albion National bank, today telegraphed Controller Murray the bank had been defrauded out of \$90,000 by forgeries. Johnson says the forgeries have been admitted.

ATWOOD IS DROPPED INTO THE ICY OCEAN

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 2.—When only a few hundred yards from the Point of Pines at the start of his flight to Portland, Me., yesterday, Harry N. Atwood met with an accident and fell into the icy water of the Atlantic ocean with his hydro-aeroplane. He crawled upon the top of his machine and waited for a boat to come to his assistance. His trip was to be made by following the coast line and the distance to be traveled was 100 miles. When all the arrangements for the flight had been completed the engine was started and the hydro-aeroplane rose. In turning into the wind, a little water struck the magneto and the engine stopped immediately. Then the aviator, in an attempt to maintain his balance, tried to head the machine into the wind again. As he did so the rudder of the hydro-aeroplane struck the magneto and the engine collapsed. Atwood climbed on top of the aeroplane and looking toward his friends on shore, waved his hat at them. As the machine was seen to collapse those on shore rushed for boats and in a very few moments several small craft were headed in his direction. They came none too soon, for as the nearest one came up to the partly submerged aeroplane, it sank in 10 feet of water. Atwood was pulled into a boat, uninjured.

Yorktown to Ecuador.
Washington, Jan. 2.—The gunboat Yorktown, now at Panama, has been ordered to the Ecuador coast to look after foreign interests during the present political unrest there.

16 Hurt in Train Wreck.

Bemidji, Minn., Jan. 2.—A passenger train on the Minnesota & International railroad was wrecked at Farley. A day coach and sleeper turned over. Sixteen people were injured but none fatally.

Mark Twain's Adviser Dies.
Hannibal, Mo., Jan. 2.—James W. McDaniel, who was the first literary adviser of Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) was found dead in bed at his home here.

The Weather

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline,
and Vicinity.

Mostly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Continued cold. Lowest temperature tonight near zero. Highest temperature yesterday 13. Lowest temperature last night 1 below.

Wind velocity, 7 miles an hour. Precipitation, none. Relative humidity 70, at 7 p. m. 33 at 7 a. m.

River, 2.06.

J. M. SHERRILL, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.)
Sun sets 4:44, rises 7:25; moon sets 6:43 a. m.; 4 a. m., earth at perihelion, nearest to sun; sun's apparent diameter today 32 minutes 35.4 seconds as compared with July 4, when it is 31 minutes, 31.4 seconds of arc; quadrants meteors for two nights.

DEMOCRATS TO CUT PAYNE RATES IN TWO

Washington, Jan. 2.—Substantial reductions in duties are looked for in the democratic steel tariff schedule which the house ways and means committee probably will have ready for submission about the middle of this month. It is stated that in many instances the Payne law rates be cut in half and the highest rate of duty allowed on any product of steel or iron will not be more than 55 per cent ad valorem. The duty on tinplate, it is understood, will be cut from \$1.20 to 75 cents a hundred pounds. Iron ore is expected to go on the free list along with all manufactures of steel and iron that were made duty free in the farmers' free list of the extra session.

PERSIANS EXECUTED FOR TROOP ATTACK

Tabriz, Persia, Jan. 2.—Eight Persians were hanged yesterday by order of a Russian court martial and another eight were executed this afternoon in connection with a recent attack on Russian troops.

The Russian court martial sitting here to try Persians captured in recent fighting in the streets of this city is exacting a heavy toll for casualties suffered by the Russian troops. The court martial is trying the prisoners in batches. In nearly every case the accused is condemned to be summarily hanged and the bodies displayed throughout the day in the public square. Shegah Ul Is-lah, head of a religious sect and chief member of the local assembly, was among those hanged.

FIND PEORIA TELEPHONE GIRL'S BODY IN RIVER

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 2.—The body of Mrs. Emma Otto, night chief operator of the Interstate Telephone company in this city, who disappeared Sunday evening, was found in the river here today. She left a note in her room at her home intimating she premeditated death.

Underwood at Office.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Representative Underwood returned to his office today almost recovered from his illness.

DIVINES SEE NEW YEAR'S 'GRIZZLY'

Chicago Pastors Witness
Shocking Exhibitions in
Hotel Cafes.

ON ROUNDS SUNDAY NIGHT

One Woman, They Claim, Fondled
and Kissed by Six Different
Men in Congress.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—While men and women made merry in the New Year revel Sunday night, two ministers of the gospel, intent on investigating cafe conditions, gazed with increasing horror on the scene.

Rev. Melbourne P. Boynton left watch night service in the Lexington Avenue Baptist church, where he is pastor, and, accompanied by Rev. Ernest A. Bell, superintendent of the Mid-night Mission, paid a visit to some of the larger cafes in the loop.

SCENES DISGUST PREACHER.
Dr. Boynton's impression of the revelry was by no means pleasant. He expressed himself as depressed and disgusted in the extreme, emotions shared by Rev. Mr. Bell. He saw a "grizzly bear" dance, men hugging and fondling women, women kissing men, and children in short dresses watching and apparently enjoying the scenes.

"I was shocked," said Mr. Boynton, "by what I saw in the Pompeian room of the Congress hotel. There was a combination of wantonness, drunkenness and lewdness. I was not so much surprised at what the people did as I was astonished that it should be permitted in such a place.

TELLS WHAT HE SAW.

"I visited other hotels, and found things quiet, compared with what they were in the Congress hotel. While in the Pompeian room I saw a woman who was pointed out to me as the wife of a prominent lumberman dancing so indecently that she was finally led away by her escort. He insisted upon her leaving the room.

"I saw one woman kissed and fondled by six different men. There I saw one woman start the 'grizzly bear' dance three times, each time with a different man. She finally was stopped by the house detective.

"I was greatly surprised at one thing. That was the great number of old men who were accompanied by young women. They may have been old women at that, painted so that they looked young.

FORMER MEMBERS OF FLOCK.

"I saw two young men formerly in my Sunday school here. I can now understand why it is increasingly hard to do Sunday school work in this city. I spoke to the young men and attempted to persuade them to go home, but the women with them would not permit them.

"I have seen first ward balls, but this within the bounds of its conventions was worse even than that, because generally people who patronize that ball are already far on the road to social ruin, but those in the gilded hotel restaurant were men and women just starting on the red way."

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LA FOLLETTE IS JOLTED AS TOUR CLOSES

Governor Osborne of Mich-
igan Calls on Him to
Withdraw.

HELD A GRANDSTANDER

Accused of Touching Only
Those Subjects That Fire
Passions of People.

Detroit, Jan. 2.—Owing to the failure of Senator La Follette to appear before noon for a speech, the meeting was cancelled and the crowd dispersed. Leaving Saginaw this morning, La Follette took the wrong train and, it was found, he had cancelled his early speaking engagements, as he could not arrive on time.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 2.—La Follette decided to go direct from Holly to Grand Rapids, and will not speak at Lansing today.

SPEECH AS A STATEMENT.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 2.—Governor Charles S. Osborne, in a statement here today, proposes that Taft and La Follette both withdraw as presidential candidates in favor of Roosevelt or ex-Senator Albert J. Beveridge. The governor had prepared a speech to this effect to be delivered in introducing La Follette here. In view of the senator's taking a wrong train this morning, making it impossible to fill his early speaking engagements today, the governor authorized the use of the speech as a statement of his views. He added: "As between Taft and La Follette I am for Taft."

APPEALS TO PASSION.

Governor Osborne said: "The Senator La Follette style of campaign tends to arouse the passions of the people and make for a condition of public intolerance, which is always worse than personal or individual intolerance because it has so much more might as a force.

"We have got to have big business in this country if we are to compete in the manufactures and transactions of the world. But big business should not be permitted to oppress the people.

LET'S BREWERIES ALONE.

"I have noticed also that while Senator La Follette did great work in ridding Wisconsin of corrupt railroad domination he has never said anything against brewery domination in that state. Really, as between the two, I should prefer railroad domination. However, it was good politics to fight the railroads in Wisconsin, but it would not have gotten Senator La Follette anywhere probably if he had fought the brewery-owned saloons.

PLAYS POPULARITY.

"What I wish to make clear about this statement is that the senator has taken up those things which might be termed popular and which might be the least danger to himself. Now this may be entirely unfair, but I have thought it and do think it still, and I wish to say it to you and to him face to face."

HAS NO ANSWER.

Holly, Mich., Jan. 2.—"La Follette will make no comment on Governor Osborne's statement given out from Lansing. Why should he?" said Secretary Hannon of La Follette's staff this afternoon.

TURN DOWN IN OHIO.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 2.—Progressive republicans of Ohio met yesterday, formed a permanent organization, adopted a declaration of progressive principles, but voted 52 to 32 not to give their endorsement to United States Senator Robert M. La Follette as a candidate for the presidential nomination. After refusing the endorsement of the league, the delegates voted, 81 to 11, in favor of a resolution as a personal expression of the delegates naming Senator La Follette as "the living embodiment of the principles of the progressive movement and the logical candidate to carry them to successful fruition." The vote came after a three hours' debate on the floor of the convention and was on the report of the resolutions committee, which had been unanimously in favor of not naming a candidate. Gifford Pinchot, who declared that he spoke only for himself and in no way for Colonel Roosevelt, and former Secretary of the Interior Garfield were the leaders in the debate against giving any candidate an endorsement. Senator Works of California and Senator Clapp of Minnesota were vigorous in urging that the Ohio progressives concentrate their efforts in working for the election of Senator La Follette.

COLOSUS IS SILENT.

New York, Jan. 2.—With a general refusal to "confirm or deny any rumor," Roosevelt declined today to

CHILD GIVES LIFE SAVING A SISTER

Louis Brown, Aged 6, Tries to
Rescue 4-year-old From
a Fire.

FIND BOTH UNCONSCIOUS

Boy Had Wrapped His Jacket About
Girl's Head to Protect Her
From Flames.

New York, Jan. 2.—Louis Brown, a motherless boy of 6 years, lost his life in a fire today because he stayed by the side of his 4-year-old sister, Helen, and shielded her from the smoke and flames. A fireman found the children unconscious, clasped in each other's arms beneath a bed. The boy had wrapped his jacket about his sister's head to protect her. Helen's condition is serious. The children were forgotten in a general scramble for safety.

OIL IN STOVE; ONE DEAD.

Lowell, Ind., Jan. 2.—An explosion of kerosene oil with which she attempted to start a fire this morning caused the death of Mrs. Daniel Straton and fatally injured her 3-year-old daughter.

SIX BURNED IN HOTEL.

Collinsville, Ill., Jan. 2.—Six persons were injured in a fire which partially destroyed the Commercial hotel here today. Miss Kate Zeppl and Miss Ruth Shaw may die.

discuss the report of a movement on

foot in New Jersey to place his name on the presidential primary ballots.

OHIO DEMOCRATS MEET.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 2.—A conference of "progressive" democrats opens here this afternoon. It is said no candidate will be endorsed for the present conference if the originators of the present movement can avert it.

WEBSTER MAY MAKE THIRD CONFESSION

Dixon, Ill., Jan. 2.—Sheriff William Delaney of Ogle county has been in Dixon serving subpoenas on witnesses in the Webster murder case. The case is expected to come up at the next term of the Ogle county court if a continuance cannot be obtained by the defense. Judge Farland, who will open court, will be asked to call in another judge to preside as judge. James S. Baume of Galena probably will hear the case. John E. Erwin, chief counsel for Webster, who has been ill for some time at his home, is recovering and will be able to try the case in January. The attorneys for the defense have not been able to agree upon a line of defense, and they are not sure that Webster will not make a third confession. Sheriff Delaney is of the opinion that Webster is weakening as the time draws near for his trial. Some new evidence has been uncovered in regard to the disposition of the clothes of Bessie Kent Webster after the murder. When the body was found in a ravine in Schorr's woods every vestige of clothing had been removed. On the next Saturday some newspaper men found the remains of a fire, some burned paper and a piece of cotton and a few half burned pieces of cloth dress goods. It is said these pieces of cloth have been identified as a part of the dress or skirt worn by Bessie Kent. Now two persons say they saw some of Dr. Webster's family in Schorr's woods on Thursday, Sept. 28, gathering nuts and that they were there all day. The authorities have their case completed and they are confident Webster will receive the death penalty.

ACROSS THE RIVER.

Davenport, Iowa, Jan. 2.—An earthquake was felt here this morning. Clinton, Iowa, also noted a shock. There was no damage.

BERLIN DEATHS DUE TO WOOD ALCOHOL?

Berlin, Jan. 2.—Since the arrest of a wholesale liquor dealer who has been in the habit of disposing of wood alcohol and groceries to inmates of the municipal night shelter for homeless and the confiscation of adulterated whisky found on his premises, no further poisonings have been reported. The official total now is 72, but these do not include those who have died outside of the municipal institutions.

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New York, Jan. 2.—Two thousand or more laundry workers struck today for increased wages and a nine hour working day.

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EARTH STIRS MANY TOWNS IN 3 STATES

Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin
in Zone of Morn-
ing Shock.

LITTLE DAMAGE IS DONE

Houses Rock and Dishes Rattle,
but Life and Property
Escape Injury.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Reports of slight earth tremors were recorded here today from Aurora, Mendota, Dixon, Rockford and Elgin. At Elgin dishes were shaken from shelves.

The earthquake was felt also at Galesburg, Ill., and Janesville, Wis. The shock also was felt at Freeport and in the northern part of Stephenson county. In Freeport buildings trembled and dishes rattled. In Joliet buildings were shaken, but the damage was very slight.

GASOLINE TANK EXPLODES.

Aurora, Ill., Jan. 2.—An earthquake was felt at 10:30 this morning. Buildings trembled and dishes were broken. The gasoline tank of the Fox River Packing company blew up at the same time and added to the fright of the people. Women fled to the streets with children in arms.

SCARE AT STERLING.

Sterling, Ill., Jan. 2.—An earthquake was felt here this morning. Dishes rattled on shelves and people in houses were frightened. Advices from the north and east for a radius of 100 miles show the shock was perceptible at many places.

Kenosha, Wis., Jan. 2.—A slight earthquake was felt in Kenosha at 10:30 this morning. Buildings rocked and small articles were broken.

FELT AT MILWAUKEE.

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