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Weather—air to-day; slowly rising temperature to-morrow. Temperature yesterday—Maximum, 32; minimum, 13.

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THREE CENTS.

TWO RACES BATTLE

Many Whites and Blacks Killed in Mississippi.

SCENE OF WAR SHIFTS

Troops Which Left Wahalak Are Hurried to Scooba.

Latter Town Is Five Miles from Wahalak, Where Bloody Conflict Occurred. Prominent Citizens Were Slain; Also

PREACHER'S WIFE SHOT.

Husband Prominent in Church, Refuses to Explain.

Chicago, Dec. 25.—Shot under circumstances which her husband and friends refused to explain, Mrs. Stephen Herben, wife of the Rev. Stephen Herben, editor of the Chicago Epworth Herald, and one of the best known men in the Methodist Church, is at the Evanston Hospital suffering from a severe revolver wound.

Mrs. Herben was taken to the hospital this afternoon, and every effort made to conceal the fact of her injury or her presence at the hospital.

It was not until late to-night that the Wilmette police, after threatening to arrest the officials of the hospital, learned that the injured woman was the wife of the well-known Evanston preacher. Where the woman was when she was shot or by whom is a matter that the family has refused to make known.

"It is nobody's business," said the Rev. Mr. Herben to-night, after being forced to admit that his wife was a patient at the hospital.

"I don't intend to make any of the facts known. It is a private matter and the wound is not serious. That is all I will say about it now if at any other time."

STANDS BY FORAKER

Smyser Says Evidence Against Negro Troops Is Weak.

PRESIDENT IMPOSED UPON

Acted Hastily When He Dismissed Battalion, Says Ohioan.

Lawyer, Who Defended Mrs. Taggart, Points to Failure of Grand Jury to Indict Soldiers as Indication of Insuf-

BETWEEN TWO FIRES.



BULLDOG KILLS AGED WOMAN.

She Falls to Floor in Faint and the Animal Attacks Her.

Special to The Washington Post.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Nancy Wallace, aged ninety, met death in a shocking manner here last night. Her granddaughter, Mrs. Leona Benson, had gone down town to do some Christmas shopping, leaving the aged lady at home alone. A short time after her departure, Mrs. Wallace fainted and fell to the floor.

A bulldog which was in the room, began to bark and pull at her clothing and hair and bit her several times, badly lacerating her arm and pulling out great bunches of hair. The barking continued until neighbors were attracted, and upon investigation they found the woman covered with blood from the many wounds inflicted and bearing evidence of having been dragged about the room by the animal. She died about midnight as the result of her injuries.

DIED AS HE GAVE PRESENT.

WOULD HELP CONGO

P. Morgan, Dr. Abbott, and Others Urge Root to Act.

SAY NATIVES ARE SLAVES

Murder, Pillage, and Injustice Stalk Through the Land.

Appeal Sent to Washington by Many Prominent New Yorkers—Secretary of State Told that United States Hav-