

Ruhr District is Quiet; Europe Feels Relieved

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CONCILIATORY TONE USED BY FRENCH

General Strike in District by German Workers Did Not Materialize, Though a Few Did Strike.

London, Jan. 12.—An unmistakable feeling of relief that the first 24 hours of France's Ruhr adventure passed without a breach of promise was evident here today. Although the French movement continues to be widely condemned and deplored, there is no general desire to see Great Britain's ally involved in conditions which would seriously add to her burdens and above all which would lead to bloodshed.

No General Strike. Essen, Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—The 40,000 employees of the Krupp plants here went to work this morning as usual, according to information supplied to the French economic mission in Essen by the German authorities.

The French have moved their operations to Gelsenkirchen, three miles northeast of Essen, and to Veltrop, five miles to the southeast.

Establishes State of Siege in Essen. Essen, Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—Gen. de Goutte today issued a proclamation from Düsseldorf establishing a state of siege throughout the newly occupied territory.

London, Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—The British government will not be responsible for the French protests against the French advance into the Ruhr, which the Berlin government addressed to the allies last night, and in no way will the protest affect British action or policy.

Flotilla, Ga., Is Fighting Big Fire. Macon, Ga., Jan. 12.—The town of Flotilla, 40 miles north of here, on the Southern Railway, is on fire according to reports reaching here.

Barker Says Bill Won't Pass. Goldsboro, Jan. 11.—State Senator H. B. Barker, who was home from the legislature attending a meeting of the local bar yesterday afternoon declared that in his opinion Governor Morrison's \$2,000,000 shipping bill would not pass the Senate.

Wants Calcium Arsenate on the Free List. Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—Senator Harris, Democrat, of Georgia, today requested President Harding that calcium arsenate, used to fight the boll weevil, be placed on the tariff free list under his discretionary authority given under the new law.

Committee Kills Neal's Bill. Raleigh, Jan. 11.—Judiciary committee No. 2, unable to agree on the technical differences between "being intoxicated" and "under the influence of liquor" today in desperation killed Mr. Neal's automobile bill, but a dozen others will have a chance.

J. BRYAN GRIMES TO BE BURIED TOMORROW

Services Will Be Held in the Episcopal Church in Raleigh, With High Officials of State Participating.

Raleigh, Jan. 12.—The funeral of Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes will be held in the Episcopal Church tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and the services will be conducted by Rev. Milton A. Barber, rector of the church.

Raleigh, Jan. 11.—J. Bryan Grimes, secretary of state since January, 1901, died at 8:30 o'clock at his home on East Lane Street after an illness of two weeks with pneumonia and influenza.

The disease that left him a mark for complications had run its course without giving special alarm. But failure to show any improvement for days and particularly today left no doubt that his reserve had all gone.

REPORT WANTED Prohibition Officials Want to Know About Rum Running in New Jersey.

Washington, Jan. 12.—An immediate report was demanded today by prohibition officials from New Jersey inspectors concerning dispatches printed in this morning's papers describing the extensive landing of smuggled liquors on the New Jersey coast.

NOMINATIONS ARE MADE President Nominates E. R. Crissinger to Be Governor of Federal Reserve Board.

Washington, Jan. 12.—President Harding cleared the slate of important Treasury Department appointments today by nominating E. R. Crissinger, of Marion, O., now controller of the currency, to be Governor of the Federal Reserve Board.

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DARKENING OF VENUS TO OCCUR TOMORROW Astronomers Are Making Plans to Observe Passing of Moon Between the Two Planets.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 12.—Harvard astronomers made arrangements today for observations of the darkening of Venus tomorrow morning when the moon will swing between that planet and the earth. This occultation will be visible in most parts of the country.

L. H. NELSON DIED IN RALEIGH THURSDAY NIGHT Was Assistant State Horticulturist—Death Followed Attack of Pneumonia.

Raleigh, Jan. 12.—The state department of agriculture closed here today in respect to the memory of L. H. Nelson, assistant state horticulturist, who died here last night following complications which resulted from influenza and pneumonia.

FETZER BROTHERS TO RETURN TO UNIVERSITY Bill and Bob Fetzer Sign Five Year Contract With University of North Carolina.

Charlotte, Jan. 12.—Bill and Bob Fetzer, brothers of Concord, who have directed the athletic teams at the University of North Carolina for two years, today signed five-year contracts with that institution, according to information received here today.

Army Appropriation Bill. Washington, Jan. 12.—A standing army of 125,000 enlisted men and 12,000 commissioned officers, the same as authorized last year, is provided for in the army appropriation bill reported today by the House.

WORK OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE TODAY

Only Short Session Held, as Both Houses Adjourned Out of Respect for Late Secretary of State Grimes.

SEVERAL BILLS WERE INTRODUCED

Miss Lily Sneed Varsler Appointed Page in Senate, Being First Woman Page in History of the State.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—Joint resolutions honoring the memory of J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, who died at his home here last night, and providing a recess of the General Assembly until 8 o'clock Monday night passed both branches of the Legislature in a short session today.

Representative Linber Warren, of Beaufort County, appealed for enactment of the rules and the referring of bills to committee before they could be placed upon the calendar, or the rules suspended for immediate passage.

TWO DRUG PEDIdlERS IN COBLENTZ ARE ARRESTED Men Alleged to Have Had in Their Possession Drugs Valued at Six Million Marks.

Coblenz, Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—Two drug peddlers were arrested today in Coblenz, Germany, on charges of possession of drugs valued at six million marks.

FIRE AT SANATORIUM Old Kitchen and Dining Room Destroyed by Fire at 3 A. M. Today.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 12.—Fire at 3 a. m. today destroyed the old dining room and kitchen of the State Sanatorium for treatment of tuberculosis in Hoke County, entailing a total loss estimated at \$15,000, partially covered by insurance.

ITINERARY OF DR. T. F. MARR, PRESIDING ELDER Will Make Second Round of Salisbury District Beginning January 20.

The following is the itinerary of Dr. T. F. Marr, for his second round of the Salisbury district as Presiding Elder.

Salisbury Circuit—Providence 11 a. m. January 20.

Park Avenue, 11 a. m. January 21. East Spencer, 7:30 p. m. January 21.

Woodleaf Circuit. Woodleaf 11 a. m. January 27. Central Church Concord 11 a. m. January 28.

Forest Hill 7:30 p. m. January 28. Concord Circuit. Mt. Carmel 11 a. m. February 3.

Lawton, Concord 11 a. m. February 4th. Kerr Street, 7:30 p. m. February 4.

Gold Hill Circuit, Wesley Chapel 11 a. m. February 10. First Church Salisbury 11 a. m. February 11.

South Main, 7:30 p. m. February 11. North Main, 7:30 p. m. February 11.

Landis Circuit, Bethpage 11 a. m. February 17. China Grove 11 a. m. February 18.

Kannapolis, 7:30 p. m. February 18. New London, 11 a. m. February 24.

Salem, 11 a. m. February 25. Baden, 7:30 p. m. February 25.

Albemarle Circuit 11 a. m. March 3. Albemarle Central, 11 a. m. March 4.

ALDERMEN CONSIDER WIDENING OF MEANS STREET

Board Hears Argument for and Against Widening of Means Street.—Other Business Transacted by Board.

The aldermen of Concord held a session extraordinary at the city hall on Thursday night. The most important question before the board was the widening of Means street, though other important matters also were discussed.

The Board voted in favor of widening Means street and paving said street and sidewalks at expense of city, provided the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners consent to the use of the present sidewalk as a street and donate five feet to a new sidewalk.

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Thomas Case Admitted to Rowan County for Trial

Change of Venue in Noted Case Ordered Thursday Afternoon by Judge James L. Webb, in Court Here.

TRIAL TO START FEBRUARY 14TH

Presentation of Affidavits and Arguments by the Counsel Consumed Several Hours Before Decision Reached.

The second trial of O. G. (Red) Thomas, Charlotte automobile salesman, for the killing of A. J. Allen, master plumber, of this city, in Kannapolis on the night of October 25, 1921, will be tried in Salisbury at the February term of Rowan County Superior Court. The removal order was issued here Thursday afternoon by Judge James L. Webb at 3:40 o'clock, after a day spent by attorneys for Thomas and the State in the presentation of affidavits and arguments.

The February term of Rowan Court will begin on the 12th, and the case was set by Judge Webb, who will preside, for Wednesday, February 14th. He notified attorneys to have their witnesses in Salisbury on that date unless he issues another order later postponing the case until the May term of Rowan Court.

Request for the postponement was made by attorneys for Thomas immediately after Judge Webb issued the order for a change of venue. John J. Parker stated that he has other important cases coming up that week, and that E. T. Candler also had other cases scheduled for that week. Attorneys for the State, argued, however, that they were ready for trial; that the case had been hanging fire long enough; and that they wanted it disposed of. The case of State against Lee McHarge, Kannapolis man, charged with murder in connection with the killing of Deputy Sheriff Will Frost, of this county, in Kannapolis late in November, is scheduled to be tried at the February term of Rowan Court, but Judge Webb stated that the Thomas case would take precedent over the McHarge case, should attorneys in the latter case be ready for trial.

More than 100 affidavits were introduced before the court during the day, most of them being presented by the State, which was fighting for trial of the case here with a jury from some contiguous county. The affidavits purported to show that Thomas could get a fair trial here with such a jury.

Arguments began at 10:30 and ten speeches were made, the speech of Mr. Candler for the defense and of Solicitor Long for the State were generally considered the most masterful. The present session of court here is the first for Mr. Long as solicitor, and he made a strong impression, judging from comments heard. His conception of justice as outlined in his argument against a change of venue was especially well received. Mr. Parker's address was very masterful also.

Thomas plainly showed that he was delighted with the change of venue. In talking to friends here recently he repeatedly expressed the belief that he could not get a fair trial here, and he and other members of his family were jubilant over the court's decision. A number of relatives were here with Thomas, and his wife sat by his side during the entire hearing.

Judge Webb will consider the postponement of the case until the May term for several days, he declared. He will be here all next week for the trial of civil cases, and the case will not be postponed unless he makes a decision before leaving here.

The removal order did not come as a great surprise. The State Monday agreed to a jury from some adjoining county, and this fact, coupled with the strong advice offered by the defense, led many people to believe that a change of venue would be granted.

The expense of the trial in Rowan will be borne by Cabarrus County.

New George Vanderbilt Hotel at Asheville Now Assured.

Asheville, Jan. 11.—Erection of the proposed George Vanderbilt hotel seems practically assured, it was announced by officials last night, following a meeting of about 30 stockholders, at the chamber of commerce, H. W. Plumley, vice-president, presiding, as \$300,000 of the necessary \$450,000 has been raised and an intensive campaign will be made to complete the quota in time to wire the architect Friday, to proceed with the project.

An outstanding feature of the meeting was a short talk by Dr. H. H. Briggs, on whose property the hotel will be erected, who offered to duplicate all subscriptions made between last night and tonight up to \$25,000.

Directors of the hotel corporation are optimistic over the prospects for the hotel, the Merchant's Association having underwritten \$15,000 in stock and pledged their support.

Negroes Struck by Lightning. Kinston, Jan. 11.—A January lightning bolt was today reported to have injured a negro at a farm some miles from here. The woman was hanging clothes on a line to dry when the bolt struck the line, understood to have been a live wire, proceeding a shower of sparks and fire. The bolt was the usual electrical demonstration of the storm. It was accompanied by a violent clap of thunder, which was heard for miles.

FAISON CAPTAIN OF WILDCATS FOR 1923 Has Played Star Ball All End for Three Years on the Davidson Team.

Davidson College, Jan. 12.—E. S. Faison, of Faison, N. C., for the past three years star end of the Davidson football eleven was unanimously elected captain of the Wildcat 1923 gridiron squad at a meeting of football letter men here today.

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Bank something regularly. Others who have done this have made a success, says new ad, of Citizens Bank and Trust Company.

Miller's Butter-Nut bread is the best and cheapest food food you can get.

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