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North Carolina: Fair tonight, warmer except extreme east portion. Thursday fair, warmer. South Carolina: Fair tonight and Thursday.

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APPEAL TO RUSSIANS BY KORNILOFF

Son of Peasant and Cossack Swears to Lead to Victory

PEOPLE TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN FATE

Declares He Wants No Personal Gain, and Only Object is to Save Fatherland From its German Enemy— Says Army is With Him

KERENSKY TO COMMAND.

(By Associated Press.)

Petrograd, Sept. 12, 9:30 a. m.—The Associated Press was informed unofficially early this morning at the Winter Palace that Premier Kerensky was about to assume the position of commander-in-chief of all the Russian armies, at least, until the revolt has been crushed.

Petrograd, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 11 a. m.—The texts of General Korniloff's proclamations are published here today. The first, dated at Mohilev, denounces Premier Kerensky's description of Vladimir Lvoff's mission as untrue and declares that Korniloff did not send Lvoff to Kerensky, but that Kerensky first sent Lvoff to him with the aim to create trouble.

"Russian men," continues the proclamation, "our fatherland is perishing. The government, under pressure of the Bolshevik majority of the council, is acting in full accord with the plans of the German general. Overwhelming consciousness of the impending ruin of the fatherland compels me in this menacing moment to summon all Russian men to save perishing Russia. All in whose breasts beat Russian hearts, all who believe in God, let them flock to the temple and pray God to perform a great miracle—a miracle of saving the fatherland.

"I, General Korniloff, son of a peasant and Cossack, declare to all that I require nothing personally, nothing except the salvation of mighty Russia, and I swear to lead the nation by the road of victory over the foe to a constitutional assembly through which the nation will decide its own fate and choose the organization of its own political life. But I shall never betray Russia into the hands of its traditional enemies, the German race, or make the Russian people the slaves of Germany. I prefer to die on the field of honor and battle, rather than to witness the shame and infamy of Russian land.

"Russian people! In your hands rests the fate of your country. (Signed) 'KORNILOFF.' In the second proclamation, General Korniloff declares he is supported by all of the higher commanders on the front, denounces the government and incapable government, weakness and indecision, and declares that "in order to veil its unfitness the government is creating the chimera of a non-existent counter-revolution."

The provisional government has under the martial law regulations prohibiting the circulation of General Korniloff's manifestoes or the publication of unofficial news concerning military measures taken against the revolt.

Korniloff Deposed. Petrograd, Sept. 12.—Major General Bonch-Bruyevich has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Russian army in succession to General Korniloff.

State of War in Moscow. Petrograd, Sept. 12.—The provisional government today declared that a state of war exists in the town and district of Moscow.

PRESIDENT OF BANK WAS AN EMBEZZLER. (By Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 12.—Comptroller Williams issued a statement last night asserting investigation had disclosed that the late J. B. Martindale, president of the Chemical National Bank, of New York, who died in July, 1917, was an embezzler and forger to the extent of about \$300,000.

The amount was taken, the comptroller announced, from the account of a wealthy depositor, and the bank has arranged to make good the entire sum.

Capital and surplus of the bank, Mr. Williams announced, were not impaired in the slightest degree by the alleged operations of Martindale.

FINDS EVIDENCE TO INDICT FOR GRAND LARCENY

Papers and Correspondence of Gaston Means Are Examined

MRS. KING'S DEATH STIRS THREE STATES

Officers in New York and Chicago Investigating Matters Connected With Concord Mystery

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 12.—Assistant District Attorney Dooling, who is in charge of the investigation here into the death of Mrs. Maude A. King, at Concord, N. C., announced today that after an all-night examination of papers and correspondence belonging to Gaston B. Means, he had found sufficient evidence to warrant indictments for grand larceny against one or more persons for alleged looting of the King estate.

The assistant prosecutor said he had found in Means' effects a paper upon which was an agreement whereby Means was to receive \$50,000 in case the new will of Mrs. King's husband, which is now up for probate, got through successfully.

Means was business manager for Mrs. King and was witness of her death on August 29 by a pistol shot. Mr. Dooling was accompanied to the Criminal Court Building from Means' apartment here by Afton Means, brother of Gaston, and by Henry Deitsch, Afton's father-in-law, under subpoena, were expected to go before the grand jury today.

Mr. Dooling further said that Afton Means had told him he had come to New York for the trunk filled with correspondence and papers which was in Gaston Means' apartment. The trunk contained, among other documents, he said, papers which showed a great amount of work had been done by experienced hands in preparing for a possible contest of the new will, being correspondence between lawyers, hand writing experts, whom Mr. Dooling said had been engaged to assist in carrying through the probate of the will.

The assistant district attorney further stated that there was also considerable evidence showing how \$1,000,000 of the King estate had been spent. There were packages of checks drawn to a person whose name he withheld and a number of letters from brokers asking additional margin.

There was also a bank note of a certain national bank in this city, he said, which showed deposits in one year of \$190,000, all of which had been checked out.

One of the first things that the assistant district attorney did, after bringing the papers to his office, was to telephone to a typewriter company to have one of its experts ready to examine a photographic copy of the new will, which Mr. Dooling has asked the Chicago authorities to forward to him. He said that there was a typewriter in the Means' apartment.

Afton Means, on arriving at the Criminal Court Building, was permitted to send a telegram to his brother at Concord, telling him of the seizure of the papers.

Afton Means, brother of Gaston B. Means, is being investigated by the authorities of three States, and Henry Deitsch, Afton Means' father-in-law, was summoned by the District Attorney to appear today before the grand jury.

District Attorney Swann said he decided to bring the case before the jury to ascertain what transpired, and if a conspiracy was formed in this city prior to the death of Mrs. King. Assistant District Attorney Dooling yesterday, visited the former home here of Gaston B. Means, in an effort to gather information bearing on the case.

Charles E. Hughes denied today a report he had been retained as attorney by Means or any one else in the King will case. "I have no connection whatever with the matter," he said.

Forgeries Alleged. Chicago, Sept. 12.—State's Attorney Hoyne began an investigation today at the request of District Attorney Swann, of New York, into alleged forgeries, said to have been committed in connection with the trust fund given to Mrs. Anna Robinson, mother of Mrs. Maude A. King, whose mysterious death is now under investigation by authorities of three States.

Mr. Hoyne was asked to find out whether Mrs. Robinson's signature was forged to the document.

SHORTAGE OF FOOD CAUSES EVACUATION. (By Associated Press.)

Washington, Sept. 12.—A shortage of foodstuffs in Petrograd may make more difficult the defense of the Russian capital by the Kerensky government against the troops led by General Korniloff. Despatches to the State Department from Ambassador Francis said that an evacuation of Petrograd by a part of the civilian population was under way and gave as a reason the scarcity of supplies rather than military reasons. The despatches were dated three days ago.

Regarding the recent developments in the movement headed by Korniloff, the State Department today received no information.

PASSPORTS HANDED LUXBURG.

(By Associated Press.)

Buenos Aires, Sept. 12.—The Argentine government at noon today sent to the German legation passports to be delivered to Count Luxburg, the German minister in Buenos Aires. The whereabouts of Count Luxburg is still unknown to the Argentine government.

The Argentine foreign office today sent a communication to the German foreign ministry demanding an explanation of Count Luxburg's action in sending the secret code messages to Berlin through the Swedish legation.

It was officially announced here today that if Germany failed to disapprove of Count Von Luxburg's action, Argentina would recall her minister at Berlin. If the Berlin government disapproved of his course, the status quo would be maintained.

ENTENTE ALLIES ARE RELYING ON UNITED STATES

Andrew Bonar Law Promptly Says America Was Their Salvation

GERMANY'S MISTAKES HELPED THE ALLIES

Teutons' Greatest Mistake Was in Driving the United States into War—American Money Great Help

(By Associated Press.)

London, Sept. 12.—Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, speaking today at a luncheon given by Empire Parliamentary Association to Medill McCormick, Congressman-at-large for Illinois, said:

"In everything connected with the military arm, the Germans have shown remarkable resistances even geniuses. But in dealing with questions of human nature, they have repeatedly made mistakes which have been the salvation of the entente allies. No mistake they have made will be so great in its consequences as that which drove the United States into the war. 'The Germans lately,' Mr. Bonar Law continued, 'have been saying that the Entente was their hope. I want to say to you that we do rely on the United States.'

"As chancellor of the exchequer, I am ready to say to you now what I should have been sorry to have had to say six months ago, namely, that without the United States' financial assistance, the Allies would have been in disastrous straits today."

JUDGE NEEDED IN CIRCUIT COURT

Fourth Circuit Court of United States is Crowded With Work

(By Geo. H. Manning.)

Washington, Sept. 12.—The Senate passed late yesterday afternoon a bill to appoint an additional judge on the First and Fourth United States Circuit Courts. The First Circuit is in New Hampshire, the Fourth Circuit is composed of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland.

Senator Overman has introduced and the Senate has passed a bill for an additional judge for the Fourth Circuit during each of the last four sessions of Congress, but the House has not acted on it. It is highly probable the House will act on this session.

The docket of the Fourth Circuit, presided over by Judge Pritchard, of Asheville, N. C., and Judge Woods, of West Virginia, is badly crowded. Judge Knapp, formerly of the Commerce Court, has been helping out there for some time, but a third judge to sit regularly is needed.

The legislation has not got far enough along to produce any well defined contest for the job when created, although a number of good lawyers have had their eye on it a long time. When the bill is finally passed there is sure to be a swam of able candidates from each of the five States composing the circuit.

SEVENTEEN MONUMENT DEALERS ARE FINED

(By Associated Press.)

Baltimore, Sept. 12.—Seventeen members of the National Retail Monument Dealers' Association were fined today by Judge John C. Rose, in the United States District Court here, in addition to a fine of \$2,500 imposed upon the association. This action following the entering by the defendants of a plea of nolo contendere in the indictment against them, which charged violations of the Sherman anti-trust laws.

The individual fines ranged from \$1,000 down to \$5 each.

ANYTHING WORTH HAVING IS WORTH SOME EFFORT

Many Realize That Prizes Offered by Dispatch are Worth an Extra Effort to Secure—Organization Will Play Important Part in Determining Winners—Twenty-five Thousand Extra Votes on First Subscription

- THE PRIZES. \$775 Eriscoe Automobile. Ford Touring Car. \$200 in gold. \$100 in gold. \$93 furniture suite. \$75 Columbia Grafonia. \$50 merchandise order at J. W. H. Fuchs' Department Store. \$25 wrist watch. Two \$60 diamond rings. Ten per cent commission to all non-winners, who remain active, on money for new subscriptions.

probable that the race here will be so close, it is within the possibility. Just a few moments now may decide the question in favor of your candidate and you had better see that your favorite candidate receives at least one subscription through your efforts. The thing for your candidates to do is to get very busy, and see all your friends and acquaintances and ask them to take a subscription for as long a period of time as possible. The longer the subscription the greater number of votes you will receive. When asking for a subscription the wise contestant will ask for at least a year, for many people will subscribe for a year as easily as they will for six months. Organization is an important factor in a contest of this kind. Any contestant can multiply her chances of winning many times by organizing her friends, lodge, club, or church members—and trying in every way to build up a large and winning vote. Those "who have wished they might win," but so far have made no effort toward the realization of that desire, should begin an active campaign at once. The contest has only started, and the field is full of unbounded possibilities for the aggressive workers. It should not be forgotten, though, that the time is flying, and that the prizes will not be won by "wishing," but by "working."

Subscribers can secure votes for anyone of the candidates by paying a subscription at the office, but they must ask for the votes at the time the subscription is paid, otherwise votes will not be issued. Votes are due and can be issued to all subscribers paying their subscriptions at the office, provided the subscribers ask for them. Anyone can pay the contestants direct and the votes will always be issued. Next Saturday, September 15, will be known as "Get Acquainted Day." To every candidate who turns or sends into the office of The Dispatch a subscription for three months or longer will be given a certificate good for 25,000 Extra Votes. Don't forget the day—next Saturday, September 15th. (Continued on Page Two)

RUSSIA'S TROUBLES STILL OVERSHADOW THE MILITARY NEWS

BICKETT TURNS MANSION INTO A MOVIE HOUSE

Department of Education Tries Out Its Moving Picture Outfit.

INHERITANCE TAX CASES HEARD TODAY

State Revenue Form Inheritance Taxes Increases—Kinston's Union Station Still in Controversy

(Special to The Dispatch.)

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 12.—Governor Bickett turned the Mansion over to moving pictures last night and under the auspices of the department of education North Carolina's motion picture outfit was exhibited in its work of pioneering among the States of the Union in their effort to hasten educational results.

The Governor, genteelly speaking, kicked the lights of his big house out and let the state run its plant as though from civilization were a million miles away. W. C. Crosby, director of the community service work in North Carolina and organizer of all the leagues, ran the machine, made the statement of its purposes for the department of education then lectured on the State's primacy in this kind of work. The pictures about equally represent propaganda, recreation and entertainment, all things that come under the departments of the State.

Such an education on agriculture and in humor was shown and Governor Bickett's invited guests saw the first official try-out of the machine.

Johnston county mill men have given to Miss Elizabeth Kelly, commissioner of illiteracy, substantial testimony to their interest in her work by agreeing to pay the large part of the salary of teachers in Smithfield and Selma mill communities.

Mrs. Allison goes to the Selma mills where she will teach both day and night schools of adults and work with the children to make living conditions better. This will include instruction in how to employ the lavatory and how to improve home conditions generally.

In Smithfield the adult school will be maintained the whole year and Mrs. Eleanor Zachary will take charge of it. The mill men will turn over the rents from their houses to be used in support of the work, nearly all expense being paid by them.

The Corporation Commission Thursday when King and Kimball, of Greensboro, will represent the estate of Caesar Cone and Walser and Walser, of Lexington, will appear for the Elliott heirs, of Davidson.

The Cone property is large and the Elliott money are by no means inconsequential, albeit, the commission has no idea how much is involved. The inheritance tax act has become a considerable revenue producer and it yearly grows bigger. Had the bill that went through finally been made law in the beginning, the Vanderbilt estate, which contributed \$45,000 in this tax, would have yielded \$125,000. The State is making this tax really count for something.

Today the Kinston union station issue is to come before the Corporation Commission and the differences between patrons and the carriers will be adjusted.

A. Dughi, who has been one of the spectacular performers in Raleigh, will be allowed to continue catering if he respects a \$5,000 peace bond and does not worry Mrs. Dughi again.

The Italian caterer pleaded guilty in Wake court when the case came up and submitted to charges of assault with deadly weapon and carrying concealed weapons. The fine was \$50 and costs.

But for interference of soldiers several weeks ago Dughi would in all probability have killed his second wife. Her son was in the party of defense that fell through a big plate glass window in the Boylan-Pearce store. Mr. Dughi was temperamental upset on meeting his wife from whom he had been separated sometime. The old fellow's age and general kindness when at himself gave the people a good deal of sympathy for him.

The Busbee case in which a prisoner discharged from the State penitentiary seeks to convict the warden for flagging him, will come up later in the week.

Provisional Government Nevertheless is Optimistic Concerning the Situation

THE WHEREABOUTS OF LUXBURG UNKNOWN

Argentine Government Sends Passports to German Legation for the Count—British Repulse German Attack, While French Penetrate Two Lines of Trenches

Military news is still overshadowed in importance by the Russian internal situation, which remains complex with a definite conclusion not in sight.

Petrograd's provisional government, while admitting itself unable to announce the final overthrow of General Korniloff's revolt, nevertheless expresses optimism concerning the situation in general.

No further news has come through regarding the reported clash between Korniloff's troops and those of the government, which was coupled with a report that the general's forces had entered Gatchina, 35 miles from Petrograd. It was reported in late dispatches, however, that General Korniloff's march on Petrograd had been checked, his troops outmaneuvered and their retreat cut off. One uncorroborated report said that the army was surrendering.

In Moscow the trouble is apparently accentuated, as martial law has been declared there. Government spokesmen announced that the army commanders on the Caucasus and Rumanian fronts had declared their allegiance to the government; that the loyalty of the commander on the Russian western front was counted upon, but that the attitude of General Klembovsky, commander of the northern front, the sector nearest to Petrograd, was still enigmatical.

The Constitutional Democratic party has offered to participate in the creating of a new ministry, in order that civil war may be avoided.

The recent disclosures regarding messages sent to Berlin through Swedish diplomatic channels by Count Luxburg, German minister at Buenos Aires, in which the destruction of Argentine vessels "without leaving a trace" was suggested and the acting foreign minister of Argentina was aspersed, has led to action by the Argentine government. It today sent Count Luxburg's passports to the German legation. The whereabouts of Count Luxburg is unknown. An explanation of his action has been demanded from the German foreign office.

Military operations on the Franco-Belgian front were of a minor nature with the exception of a German attack on the trenches recently captured by the British near Hargicourt, north of St. Quentin. This was repulsed by the British fire.

Several successful raids against the German lines were carried out by the French in the Champagne. In one of these the French penetrated as far as the third German line.

ISHII INVITED TO VISIT NEW YORK

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 12.—Viscount Ishii and other members of the Japanese mission were formally invited to New York City today by a committee headed by Fire Commissioner Adamson. Tentative plans were made for the Japanese visitors to go to New York on September 26.

Many plans have been made for their entertainment by the city and by private citizens. A banquet will be given by the municipality and a public reception will be held. The visit to New York will include trips to West Point and possibly other places in the vicinity.

PAINLEVE FAILS TO FORM NEW CABINET

(By Associated Press.) Paris, Sept. 12.—Paul Painleve, minister of war, has announced that he has not been able to form a new ministry to succeed that of M. Ribot, owing to the eleventh hour withdrawal of the Socialists, Albert Thomas and M. Varenne.

Urged to Continue. London, Sept. 12.—A dispatch from Paris, to Reuters, limited, announces that Paul Painleve, minister of war, has failed to form a new ministry and returned the mandate to President Poincaré 1 o'clock this morning. The President asked M. Painleve to continue his efforts and the latter asked for time for reflection.