

THE WEATHER.  
Fair tonight and Tuesday. Slightly lower temperature tonight. Moderate westerly winds.

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## Charge British With Espousal German Cause

### French Think Recent British Note in Regard to Ruhr Occupation Smacks So Much of Propaganda That It Properly Ought to Be Entirely Ignored

Paris, August 13.—The British note is regarded in French official circles as a positive disavowal of Great Britain's war allies and a frank espousal of the German cause.

It is thought that Premier Poincaré will reply in due time, although it is held by many that the document smacks so much of propaganda that it ought properly to be ignored.

"This amazing document proposes to haul France and Belgium before a tribunal to answer for their efforts to make Germany carry out her treaty obligation," said an official of the foreign office today. "France and Belgium are not ready to answer such a summons even from Great Britain."

### Serious Developments

London, August 13.—The British note in which the Baldwin government says it regards Ruhr occupation as illegal under the Versailles Treaty, but is willing to submit the point to arbitration, for the most part is regarded here as creating a new situation which may have serious developments.

Even where the governments' action is approved, the plain phraseology caused astonishment, although that astonishment was mingled with the satisfaction that the government used language which commentators endorse.

Among those who oppose the line the government has taken, there is anger, excitement, and even alarm, and the position is considered to be one of grave crisis.

London, August 13.—The British note on reparations made public yesterday expressed disappointment at the attitude of France and Belgium and held that Ruhr occupation was not justified under the Treaty of Versailles but stated that the British are willing to submit the matter to some unprejudiced tribunal.

## Farmers Released From Cattle Dipping

### Recorder's Court Arbitrarily Exercises Power Vested In State

J. S. Markham and Elisha Harris, Pasquotank farmers, were in effect released from cattle-dip quarantine in police court Monday morning when Trial Justice Spence refused to find them guilty of violating the State quarantine law after evidence to the effect that no ticks have been found on their cattle for the last six months. Mr. Markham was turned loose unconditionally. Judgment was continued in the case of Mr. Harris until the County Quarantine Officer can show, if he can and will, that Mr. Harris's cattle are still infected with ticks.

Lem. Sawyer, whose home is near the gas plant, was fined \$50 and costs for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and was taxed with the costs also on a charge of operating a car on the streets of the city without the proper lights. Mr. Sawyer admitted that he had had a little ride before a night ride on the Weeksville road. He was looking for home in the direction of the Community Hospital when he was arrested.

Both Mr. Markham and Mr. Harris were put under quarantine several months ago, and each admitted that the quarantine had not been lifted. But each claimed that there were no ticks for his cattle or on his premises, and Judge Leitch, after arguing for his client, Mr. Markham, that the purpose of the law had been attained and that his client was being compelled to continue to dip on a technicality, the court overrode the "technicality" and entered a verdict of not guilty. Having taken this position in the case of the Markham case, the court had to hold the same ground in the Harris case, though, apparently, not without some misgivings.

Three negro joyriders, Fred Tillman, James Williams and Ella Whitehurst, arrested near Bera Church Saturday on a charge of being drunk and disorderly, were fined \$5 and costs on this charge in Monday's session of court. Williams, who was operating the car, also drew a fine of \$50 and costs for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and a like penalty for carrying a concealed weapon. Conviction on the last count came by reason of an automatic pistol found by Deputy Sheriff Pritchard concealed under the driver's seat when he searched the car.

R. C. Crain for being drunk on the streets was fined \$10 and costs. The trial of the Albertson-Batteman case was set for Thursday.

Mrs. M. S. Abbott and son, Kelly, of Petersburg, Virginia, are visiting her brother, S. S. Burgess, on North Road street.

## MISSING RECORDS QUIETLY APPEAR

New York, August 13.—Missing records of bankrupt stock of the bucketing firm of E. M. Fuller & Company, which long have provided one of the chief sources of interest in sensational disclosures that followed the firm's failure, were reported to have been surrendered anonymously to Federal authorities today on the eve of the promised new indictment of higher-ups in the alleged bucket shop ring.

## KIWANIANS MEET AT WRIGHTSVILLE

### Convention Begins Thursday and Lasts Through Friday With Good Program and Headquarters at Oceanic.

The District Convention of Carolina Kiwanians will be held at Wrightsville Beach, beginning Thursday morning, August 16.

Following is the program: Thursday, August 16  
Convention badges admits delegates to everything, including shuttle car to and from auditorium.  
8 to 10 a. m.—Registration; Delegates to file credentials when registering with credential committee.  
10 a. m.—Convention assemblies in Harbor Island auditorium, W. A. French, president Wilmington Kiwanis Club, presiding.  
Invocation—Rev. F. D. Dean.  
Song, "America"—By everybody.  
Introduction of International Officers.  
Address of welcome—Geo. L. Peas—the Irving Quartette." New York City, professor Wm. G. Robertson, Chau, Jas. H. Cowan, mayor of Wilmington.  
Response—Hon. Alva M. Lumpkin, District Governor.  
Song—Florence Prall, soprano; pianist.  
Address.  
Introduction Lieutenant Governor—W. H. Keith, Greenville, S. C.; E. W. Sikes, Hartsville, S. C.; J. Burt James, Greenville, N. C.; R. Grady Rankin, Gastonia, N. C.  
Reports from District Governor Lumpkin and District Secretary McDonald.  
Group conferences—Presidents, district trustees, and club secretaries.  
2 p. m.—Luncheon: You eat at your own "Dinty Moore's."  
3:45 p. m.—Golf tournament: Cape Fear Country Club.  
5:00 p. m.—Reception at Cape Fear Country Club for the ladies.  
5:30 p. m.—Surf bathing for everybody.  
8:15 p. m.—Harbor Island auditorium. Concert, Florence Prall, "The Irving Quartette," Professor Wm. G. Robertson, pianist.  
Address—Honorable T. L. Kirkpatrick, Charlotte, N. C.  
9:30 p. m.—Dance: Peoples' Pleasure Palace "Lumina"—Garber-Davis orchestra.

Friday, August 17  
10 p. m.—Convention re-assembles at Harbor Island auditorium.  
Invocation—Rev. R. E. Gribbin, Winston-Salem Club.  
Reports—From group meetings, followed by discussions.  
Music—W. R. Dasher, "Our Jules Brazil," "Incognito."  
Address—Henry C. Heinz, first vice-president Kiwanis International, J. L. Bolles, Jr., international field representative, Geo. French, international field representative.  
Address.  
Final reports of all committees. Election of officers.  
Selection next convention city.  
2 p. m.—"Dinty Moore's" again welcomes you.  
5 p. m.—The surf, by this time, has been thoroughly fumigated and a bath ready for everybody.  
8 p. m.—Annual banquet: Liberty Shipyard, all local and visiting Kiwanis and ladies attending.  
Introduction—Past district governors.

## STRESEMANN TO FORM CABINET

### Cuno's Resignation Accepted by President Ebert Sunday and Leader of People's Party Appointed Successor.

Berlin, August 13.—President Ebert yesterday accepted the resignation of Chancellor Cuno and his cabinet and appointed Dr. Gustave Stresemann, leader of the German People's Party to form a new cabinet.

The four party coalition which hereafter will occupy the Government bench in the Reichstag will command a majority which is opposed by only 71 nationalistic and 26 communistic votes out of a total of 469.

Dr. Stresemann was born in 1878. He is one of the most fluent speakers in the Reichstag and an out and out party man. Nevertheless, he is regarded as an adept politician.

The new chancellor has been identified with industrial activities. He is the presiding chairman of the German-American Economic League, which is occupied with endeavoring to further trade relations between the United States and Germany.

## AGREEMENT SOON TO BE CONCLUDED

Washington, Aug. 13.—The conclusion of an agreement under negotiation in Mexico City which is expected to pave the way for recognition of Mexico by the United States is expected within the next two or three days, a spokesman for the Government here said today.

## DR. MOXOM DIES AT SPRINGFIELD

### Noted Preacher Was Delegate to International Peace Congresses and Had Vigorous Views About Germany.

Springfield, Mass., August 13.—Rev. Philip Stafford Moxom, D. D., aged 75, died in a hospital here today, following a recent breakdown in health.

Few men in the Christian ministry have had a more active career than Dr. Philip Stafford Moxom. In the pulpit for 46 years in Ohio and Massachusetts, he was called to many duties outside of his immediate parishes. As lecturer, college preacher and delegate to national and international gatherings, he was widely known. In addition, he wrote several books on religious and literary subjects.

Dr. Moxom was most closely identified with the city of Springfield, Mass., where he held the pastorate of the South Congregational Church from 1894 to 1917 and thereafter was pastor emeritus. His earlier pastorates were at Cleveland and Boston.

He was born of English parents at Markham, Ont., on August 10, 1848, his father being a soldier in the British army who came to Canada and later entered the ministry. The family moved to Illinois and the boy, Philip, went into the Civil War as an attendant to a captain in the 58th Illinois infantry. He enlisted in the 17th Illinois cavalry when 15 years old and served for the rest of the war.

After the war he studied at Kalamazoo, Mich., College, Shurtleff College, Alton, Ill., and the Rochester Theological Seminary. Meanwhile he taught school one winter and studied law for a time. He was ordained to the ministry in 1871. Brown University gave him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1892.

Dr. Moxom was university preacher at Harvard from 1892 to 1897 and later was preacher at Yale, Cornell, Vassar and several other colleges.

He was a delegate to several international peace congresses. In 1914, he was a member of the Ecumenical Council in Baden which was broken up by the beginning of the World War. On his return to America, he was vigorous in his denunciation of Emperor William.

## SEVEN TRAINMEN KILLED IN SMASH

Pueblo, Col., August 13.—Seven railroad trainmen were killed today in a head on collision between the Colorado & Southern passenger train from Pueblo and Sante Fe and the through train from the east in Fowler. The former was derailed over the Sante Fe tracks because of washouts at Walsenburg.

## ODD FELLOWS TO MEET IN RALEIGH

### John C. Wright, Grand Patriarch, of Shiloh, Under whose Administration much Accomplished, Will Preside

Raleigh, August 13.—The grand encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of North Carolina will convene here Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock for a two-day session. Local patriarchs have been bestirring themselves and the visiting members to this gathering are promised an interesting stag in the capital city.

John C. Wright, grand patriarch, of Shiloh, will preside over the deliberations of the grand body. Under his administration the grand encampment has taken a forward vision, and under the wielding of the gavel in his hands this week, greater things for this branch of the order will be planned.

In addition to the Raleigh features of the meeting an automobile trip to the Orphan Home at Goldsboro is planned for Wednesday. Before heading for Goldsboro, the "caravan" will tour Raleigh on a sight-seeing trip.

The meeting of the encampment Tuesday afternoon will be for the purpose of conferring the grand encampment degree, receiving the reports of the grand officers and the appointment of committees.

A brief open meeting will be held at 8 o'clock p. m. An address of welcome will be delivered by Prof. Percy W. Price, chief patriarch of Capital Encampment, No. 48. The response will be delivered by Grand Patriarch John C. Wright. Dr. W. D. Parry, pastor of the First Christian Church, will make an address on "Fraternal Tolerance." Mr. Parry is a strong preacher and an enthusiastic fraternal man and his address will be interesting and instructive. After this brief program refreshments will be served. Odd Fellows and their families are invited.

Following the public meeting there will be a special meeting of Capital Encampment, No. 48, for the purpose of conferring the Royal Purple degree on a number of candidates by the degree staff of Capital Encampment.

A business session will be held Wednesday morning, which is expected to be concluded by noon. Officers will be elected and installed and the next place of meeting selected.

The Raleigh Hotel, facing Nash square park, one block from the Union depot, has been selected by the local committee as headquarters.

## WARD THOMPSON IS A STAR FISHERMAN

### Twelve-Year-Old Boy Landed Big Drum in Surf at Nags Head Last Week.

"Probably the most notable catch of the season at Nags Head," say sportsmen recently returning from the resort, "was the landing of a 15-pound drum by 12-year-old Ward Thompson the other day."

"Ward made the catch in the surf near the cottage of his grandmother, Mrs. George W. Ward. The lad traced with a pencil on a large piece of paper the outline of the fish so that he might show the exact size of his catch to Elizabeth City friends."

Ward is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thompson of Elizabeth City.

G. R. McCallum of Hertford and Dr. Claudius McGowan of Plymouth pulled a big catch of drum and large trout from the inlet last week. It is reported, also, and a number of other sportsmen were lucky.

On the sound side, Aubrey McCabe, Wilfred Dean and Al Haley were star fishermen last week, securing a fine string of croakers and trout last Monday and Tuesday.

Spurred on by such success, Aubrey McCabe entertained a party of friends from the Arlington with a fishing trip Thursday. In about two hours they had about 75 trout, using the old-fashioned cane pole, cork, sinker, hook and line, and baiting with clams. Mr. McCabe's party included Mrs. Fred Pace and son of Aberdeen, Mac McIntosh of Chapel Hill, Miss Emma Blue and Miss Lee Falkner of Raleigh, William Little of Raleigh, Willie Badham of Edenton, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Haley and Wilfred Dean of Elizabeth City.

After the trout stopped biting Mr. McCabe had the boatman take them for an enjoyable ride. To make the affair a complete success Mrs. Cassie Morrisette had the fish fried "Nags Head style" and that gave a treat to all the guests at the Arlington.

## PIGGY WIGGLY HEAD SAYS HE WILL RESIGN

Memphis, August 13.—In a statement made public yesterday, Clarence Saunders, head of the Piggly Wiggly Stores, announced that he would resign his position and endeavor to rebuild his shattered fortune and business. He declared that those of his famous pool who are now in control are trying to give the control back to Wall street.

## PLANS BOYS' CRUISES OF CAROLINA WATERS

### Frank Scattergood to Provide Training on Sea as Well as Land for Boy Scouts

Cruises over the waters of Eastern North Carolina is another big feature for Boy Scout work in Elizabeth City, planned by the Scoutmaster, Frank H. Scattergood.

Mr. Scattergood has just purchased one of the Government steel life boats, which will accommodate 42 persons, is 27 feet long, with an eight-foot beam.

This boat is being put in shape by Charlie Patrick, who states that he expects to have it ready by about the first of September. The Scouts have named the boat "Scattergood."

It is the purpose of Mr. Scattergood to organize a trip of Boy Sea Scouts. First class Boy Scouts over 15 years of age will be eligible. Of course younger scouts will be permitted to go on the various cruises down the river, but the older boys will have charge.

It is hoped that through the cruises given the boys will become thoroughly acquainted with this section of the country in Eastern North Carolina. Trips will be made to many points available on the adjoining waters, including possibly Washington and New Bern. "I have been around the lakes," Mr. Scattergood said, "but I have never seen waterway facilities more desirable than we have right here."

With what the boys will learn of seacraft and with their past training as land scouts it is the aim of the scoutmaster that they be the best trained Boy Scouts in the country—self reliant and absolutely able to take care of themselves. At any rate it is safe to say that young boys of Elizabeth City who are disposed to grasp every opportunity given them will not likely grow up and not have in their minds a good idea of the section immediately bordering the old home town.

Captain R. T. Crowley of the local Coast Guard headquarters here has notified the scoutmaster that the boat may be docked in the Coast Guard reservation where it will be guarded and receive every other protection given the Government boats here.

Great interest in water sports may be expected to develop among the scouts during their sea training. Already the number of private boats being operated on the Pasquotank waters are daily getting more numerous and when the boys learn more of the waterways in this section they may be expected, when the opportunity arises, to make practical use of the natural advantages offered them.

Scoutmaster Scattergood is also planning to organize a troop of Girl Sea Scouts, and he believes he has some promising material for leaders of the proposed organization.

The marine engine used in the "Scattergood" was provided by Dr. John Saliba, who has loaned it to Scoutmaster Scattergood for an indefinite period.

## BROTHERHOOD CALLS MEETING CHAIRMEN

Cleveland, August 13.—Approximately 350 general chairmen of eastern, western, and southeastern and Canadian associations of the general committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen have been called to convene in special session at Chicago on September 6 "for the purpose of giving consideration to the question of inaugurating a wage movement," according to an official circular mailed to all members of associations of general committee, D. B. Robertson, president of the Brotherhood, announced today.

## GERMANY NOW STOPS FURTHER REPARATIONS

London, August 13.—Germany announced today, says a Central News dispatch from Berlin, that the stoppage of reparations contributions to France and Belgium will be extended to all the Allies as otherwise the financial reform of Germany is impossible.

## CONDITIONS BAD IN COAL VILLAGES

Washington, August 13.—A report made yesterday by a special committee to the United States Coal Commission deplored the conditions enforced at the point of a gun by coal operators and declared that miners and their families have been deprived of many of their rights as American citizens and made to submit to deputy sheriffs' rule and to company restrictions in the coal mining village.

## COTTON MARKET

New York, August 13.—Spot cotton closed quiet, with a decline of 10 points, Middling 25.15. Futures closed at the following levels: October 23.89-92, December 23.89-92, January 23.65, March 23.72-73, May 23.60-65.

## PASTOR ON VACATION

Dr. N. H. D. Wilson left Sunday night for Maxton, where he will join Mrs. Wilson. Dr. Wilson was pastor there for three years. Miss Sallie Lou McKimmon of that town, well known throughout the State as a Methodist missionary to China, joined the church under Dr. Wilson's ministry. She is to leave on the fifteenth, returning to her work in China. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson will visit Mrs. McKimmon and Miss Gaitley there. Afterwards they will go to Chapel Hill for several weeks' visit.

## TAKES MOVE TOWARD AVERTING A STRIKE

Washington, August 13.—The Federal Government today moved to avert the anthracite strike by inviting representatives of operators and miners to confer with the Coal Commission here immediately.

## SAYS COOLIDGE TO BE CANDIDATE IN 1924

Concord, N. H., August 13.—United States Senator Moses in a statement here today declared that President Coolidge would be the candidate for Republican presidential nomination in 1924.

## THINKS COOLIDGE FAVORS LEAGUE

Joseph Warren Burgess, former Bestcitian, of Baltimore, on visit to Home Town is talking politics.

That President Calvin Coolidge will ultimately stand for the entry of the United States in the League of Nations, is the opinion of Joe Burgess, son of Mrs. John Burgess, and now practicing law and prominent in Baltimore politics.

"Although I am a Republican," Mr. Burgess said, "I believe that many of the policies of Wilson will be adopted by the American people and it is my opinion that the League of Nations will be a live issue in the next Presidential campaign and in the Democratic and Republican Conventions. I would not be surprised to see President Coolidge take a stand for the entry of the United States in the League of Nations and I believe he would have the backing of Secretaries Hughes and Hoover. The World Court is all right, but it is in its infancy and has yet to be adopted by other nations before it could become effective. The League of Nations, on the other hand, has already been adopted by 54 nations and is already functioning as an active body. I say take a try at it and if we don't like it, get out."

"Will President Coolidge stand a better chance than Harding would have for renomination and re-election?" Mr. Burgess was asked.

"Well, that depends on his policies, but he will not have the backing of Wall Street that would have been given Harding," was the reply. "However, I believe he will be nominated at the next Republican Convention."

Asked his opinion about prohibition, Mr. Burgess said "I thought that it was here to stay. "There are only five states in the Union that are opposed to prohibition. The South and the West are dry. At Smith, I believe, made the mistake of his life when he signed the bill for the repeal of the Mullen-Gage law. It is the foreign element in the cities that are working against prohibition and who are unlawfully dealing in the sale of wines and liquors and getting rich from it. I believe the sale of beer should be permitted, but it should be sold openly at soda fountains and not behind closed windows."

Referring to Democratic possibilities for the Presidency Mr. Burgess seemed to think that the Democratic Convention might name a dark horse owing to the array of possibilities. "Carter Glass or Underwood might have a chance, but if history repeats itself with respect to Southern aspirants for the nomination, they will scrap each other in the Democratic Convention."

Mr. Burgess received a wire Monday from Baltimore asking him to become a candidate for the state legislature. "I don't think I shall run," Mr. Burgess said. "I am dry and I would probably lose out for that reason."