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SEVERITY OF GERMAN PEACE TREATY TERMS MAY BE LESSENERED SOMEWHAT

Council of Four Discussing the Counter Proposals

FRENCH ARE UNWILLING

British Delegates Favor Number of Concessions; Americans Favor Miror Ones.

RHINELAND AGERS HUNS

Germany Increased Her Formation of the Rhineland Militia—Sweden and Denmark Use to Blockade Germany If Necessary

There is probability that Germany may secure a result of her strong counter proposals...

A full discussion of the German counter proposals, especially concerning reparations and other economic features of the peace treaty...

The German government is inclined over the formation of a Rhineland republic. It has ordered the arrest of Dr. Dorten...

An unconfirmed report has reached Copenhagen that Petrograd has been captured by Finnish and Estonian troops.

The head of the Austrian peace delegation has departed from St. Germain for Innsbruck...

Sweden and Denmark have come to line with Switzerland and Norway in declining to join a blockade against Germany...

Big strikes have begun in Paris, Lille and other cities in France.

GROWING BENSON GROWS BIGGER ALL THE TIME

Benson, June 3.—One of the most important real estate deals consummated in Benson in many years occurred when the Farmers Commercial Bank purchased a lot adjoining the railroad here from W. Ransom Sanders...

Reports from the various sections contiguous to Benson are to the effect that an excellent tobacco crop is growing, the plants in almost every way giving assurance of a big tobacco crop...

STATE MERCHANTS TO MEET SOON AT BEACH

Statesville, June 3.—Acceptance from practically all invited to address the 17th annual convention of the Merchants Association of North Carolina...

STATE COLLEGE CATALOGUE OUT

West Raleigh, N. C., June 3.—The annual catalogue of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering has just been put off the press.

WAS AN UTTER FAILURE TO TERRORIZE COUNTRY

Says Mr. Palmer of the Bomb Outrages in Eight Cities Monday Night.

Washington, June 3.—Investigation of the bomb explosions in eight cities which were intended to kill public men, has convinced secret service chiefs here that the outrages had a common source...

Washington police today devoted their efforts to re-assembling fragments of the man who was killed last night at the door of Attorney-General Palmer's home...

Police at New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Newtonville, Mass., Boston and Patterson N. J. were engaged in the widespread hunt for the bomber...

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One man thought to be the person who planted the bomb, was blown to bits by the explosion. Police believe that the bomb exploded prematurely before it could be placed...

Police picked up along with bits of clothing of the man in a copy of "Plain Words," a radical publication. This in connection with the report of an explosion at the home of Justice Albert F. Hayden in Boston...

SOUTHERN WILL PUT ON NEW PASSENGER TRAINS

The Old Schedules Will Be Restored and Connections Made at Selma

Raleigh, June 3.—Unwillingness to allow the Southern railway to break the Selma connection with the Coast Line is given today as the reason for returning to the old schedules of the Southern railway insofar as these time tables affect westbound business.

The new trains which go on June 22, unless there is again a change, will start from Greensboro about 6 a. m. and 8:30 a. m., and from Goldsboro about 2 p. m. and 5 p. m.

The tentative plans offered weeks ago would have started on train from Greensboro at 7:30 in the morning and another at 9:45 in the morning. The newspaper coming east get a decided advantage in this arrangement.

These will be no 12:10 p. m. schedule out of Goldsboro putting a train into Raleigh at 1:55 and into Greensboro at 5 p. m. to connect with Southern 85.

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GAIN HEALTH AT COMMUNITY CHAUTAUQUA.



LOUISE L. McINTYRE

"Health is wealth," says Louise McIntyre, who has shown thousands of people how to get well and keep well by the use of a few simple exercises.

DR. M. H. HORNE TO CLAYTON FOLKS

"The New World" Theme of Inspiring Address by Johnston County Ter

Clayton, June 1.—Dr. Herman Harrell Horne of New York University predicted here tonight that within 50 years North Carolina will provide a State-wide system of public high schools and will enact compulsory education laws with upper age limit of 18.

Dr. Horne stopped off here to see his father, who has been ill, while on his way to keep a seven weeks' series of engagements at Blue Ridge, N. C., a center of summer religious conferences, beginning June 3.

Before a congregation of his home town people, Dr. Horne spoke tonight in the Horne Memorial church on "The New World." In the course of his remarks he said:

"The new social order will be leavened by the spirit of equality of opportunity. Democracy is Christianity at work in society. Democracy formerly meant, 'I am as good as you are.' It is coming to mean, 'You are as good as I am.'"

STILL USED AFTER 3 YEARS

Johnston County Farmer Gets Out Old Outfit and Brews Christmas Whiskey—Gets 30-Day Term and is Fined \$100.

After eight years of idleness, an old still furnished W. J. Adams, Johnston county, his Christmas whiskey last year, but it was costly distilling for Adams. He was sentenced yesterday to serve 30 days in jail and pay a fine of \$100 and costs after pleading guilty to the charge of illicit distilling.

Taking the stand in his defense, after revenue officers testified about the discovery of the still on Adams' premises, the defendant stated that still had been in his possession eight years. It was used by his father, who was a government licensed distiller before the prohibition was reached North Carolina.

For eight years Adams kept it in an outhouse where spiders built their cobwebs around it. Last Christmas when the neighborhood was alcoholicly dry and intoxicants were mighty scarce, Adams yielded to temptation and used the copper outfit for making his Christmas whiskey.

Witnesses who have known the defendant for a score or more of years gave him a splendid reputation up to the time of his arrest. They told Judge Connor that he was a hard-working farmer.—News and Observer 30.

FINISH TESTIMONY IN TRIAL OF PAGE

Argument of Counsel Before Jury Begins This Morning In Goldsboro

Goldsboro, June 3.—After the jury had listened to the testimony until 10 o'clock tonight, both the State and defense after short conferences agreed not to offer any further evidence and the last witness examined at 6 o'clock. Speeches in the case will begin tomorrow morning and the jury will probably get their verdict during the afternoon.

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That appeared to disturb the feelings of the witness more than anything else, was when questions relating to the night in which the Smith boys were killed in their town last January, again to the witness stand this morning and was subjected to a grilling cross examination by Hon. W. S. O'Brien, one of the prosecuting attorneys.

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BRUSH THE GREAT COMING WITH COMMUNITY CHAUTAUQUA.

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WILL BE A FIGHT OVER DAYLIGHT LAW

Point of Order By New Yorker Stopped The Agricultural Bill

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CONDITION REPORT OF COTTON CROP

Average On May 25th 75.6 Per Cent; North Carolina Crop 85 Per Cent.

Washington, June 3.—The condition of the cotton crop was 75.6 per cent of a normal on May 25 the department of agriculture announced today in its first report of the season. Condition by States follows: Virginia, 85; North Carolina, 85; South Carolina, 78; Georgia, 81; Florida, 70; Alabama, 78; Mississippi, 73; Louisiana, 74; Texas, 78; Arkansas, 66; Tennessee, 64; Missouri, 70; Oklahoma, 65; California, 91.

The report was greeted with keen interest by the cotton industry as an authoritative indication of the prospects of this year's crop. Private estimates of the condition have ranged from 72.5 to 77.5 per cent of a normal, with the majority from 75.5 per cent upward.

The condition of the crop last year on May 25 was 82.3 per cent of a normal, while in 1917 it was 69.5 and in 1918 it was 77.5. The ten year May 25 average condition is 79.2. No estimate of the acreage planted will be made by the department of agriculture until the July report. The acreage figures have been the source of much speculation in view of the efforts throughout the South for the reduction of the planting. Unofficial estimates of the planted area have placed the reduction around 10 and 12 per cent from last year's acreage which, in round numbers was 37,000,000 acres. These estimates place this year's acreage around 32,500,000 acres.

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COMMISSIONERS HAD BUSY DAY

THE "COUNTY LEGISLATURE" PASSES IMPORTANT ACTS.

Creates Office of Superintendent of Public Welfare at a Salary of \$2,500—Approves \$250 for Fourth of July Memorial—Other Matters.

More than routine matters that were taken care of by the board of commissioners this past Monday. Coincident with the busy season for the farmers, the Commissioners decided to get real busy. Not that the members of Harnett County's Board of Commissioners are idlers at any particular time, but when matters pertaining to the welfare of the whole people need attention, work that means volumes can be thrashed out in a day.

Calling upon the Board of Education for a joint session, the County Commissioners and the Educational Board passed a joint resolution appropriating \$1,250 from the funds of each board, making \$2,500, as a salary for a Superintendent of Public Welfare. The chairman of the commissioners and Education Board, together with Superintendent Gentry, were appointed a committee to select and recommend a suitable person to be elected to fill this important office.

Then the Commissioners decided that the Fourth of July this year should be celebrated in this county with a glorious jubilee upon the return of soldiers and sailors who made this country safe against Hunny. The board appropriated \$250 to be expended in making welcome these returning heroes. The celebration will be held on the court house square.

L. M. Chaffin, deputy clerk of court, was appointed chairman of executive committee to carry out the program and make arrangements. Co. D. H. McLean appeared before the board and made an eloquent plea for the bestowal of this timely and deserved honor upon the soldiers. Col. McLean is energetic in his endeavor to make this coming Fourth of July a great and glorious day in Harnett County. Prominent speakers will be secured for the occasion; also, a war tank and other attractions are being applied for. Secretary Daniels will be asked for a marine band. Fourth of July information will be furnished our readers each week in the interim.

The Board confirmed the election of H. L. Godwin as recorder of Dunn, and C. J. Smith as vice-recorder. The election of C. S. Adams as cotton weigher for Angier was also confirmed.

It was ordered that the road commissioner of Neill's Creek repair the McKay bridge on Blue's Creek. It was also ordered that a bond vote be taken in Avesboro Township on July 23, the issue to be \$50,000 for road work.

The Board ordered its chairman to invite the Chairman of the Highway Commission to meet with them at the earliest practicable date, and on such date the county chairman to call the county board of township road boards together for conference on roads.

The Board ordered that a special election be held in Hector's Creek Township on July 12 for the benefit of schools. Other matters of a routine nature were taken up and passed upon, making altogether one of the busiest sessions the board has held in many months.

THREE ARE KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE RACE

Howard Wilson Wins the Twenty Thousand Dollar Prize—His Made a Speed of Nearly 80 Miles an Hour.

Indianapolis, May 31.—Howard Wilson, of Indianapolis, today won the seventh annual International sweep-stake race of 500 miles at the motor speedway, his time for the distance being 5:44:21.75. Two drivers, Arthur Thurman and Louis Lecoq, were killed during the contest, and two others were injured.

As a result of his victory Wilson wins a prize of \$20,000. Fifty thousand dollars was divided among the first ten drivers. The other prize winners finished in the order named: Harnue, Geux, Guyot, Alley, DePalma, L. Chevrolet, Vall, G. Chevrolet and Thomas.

Wilson and Guyot were team mates. Wilson assumed the lead as the contest approached the halfway mark, and drove consistently throughout. He had two stops, once for a tire change and on the other occasion to take a loose steering knuckle. His average was 57.12 miles an hour.

All records for the Indianapolis speedway were shattered by Ralph DePalma for the first two hundred miles. Long stays in the pit, however, put the Italian driver almost out of the running, and it only was by terrific speed that he managed to finish sixth.

Arthur Thurman, driving a car he had reassembled himself, was killed when his machine turned over on the track before the race had progressed 250 miles. He was dead when found. His mechanic received a fractured skull, and was rushed to a hospital, where he was operated on immediately.

Louis Lecoq and his assistant, R. Bandini, were hurled to death when their car turned over and caught fire. The accident happened on the north turn and the machine rolled over three times before it stopped, pinning both driver and mechanic under it.

The race was one of the most sensational ever held here. Broken steering knuckles, the loss of wheels, tire cuts overturning, the loss of control, injury, and the loss of valuable time kept the crowd on edge from start to finish. The electrical timing device was broken when one car pulled in ahead of a front wheel, caught the wire and drew it from its connection.

NEGROES RECEIVE FARM TRAINING

More Than 142 Are Taking Vocational Agriculture Course in Eight Counties

West Raleigh, N. C., June 4.—Over 142 negro pupils in eight counties of the State are receiving vocational agricultural training under the supervision of the State Board for Vocational Education. According to Mr. Roy Thomas, who has charge of this agricultural training, the schools now being conducted are located in 72nd, Orange, Pamlico, Sampson, Bertie, Martin, Johnston and Wake counties.

In addition to the course of instruction given, the pupils are cultivating 108 acres in crops and raising 25 animals as home project work. Mr. Thomas finds that though the work has just barely begun in these counties, encouraging results have so far been secured. Both old and young are being reached, as shown in Johnston County, for instance, where two-hundred pupils, one 60 years of age and another 88, have been enrolled to take the instruction.

At Grimesland, Pitt County, a very successful night school is being conducted. Here there is a class of about 50 men, women and children which meets three times a week to receive instruction in agriculture. This class is composed of people in the community.

At the Orange County Training School, at Chapel Hill, Principal E. E. Malco has reached practically every negro county in the community through his agricultural department. Thirty boys and girls have inaugurated garden projects, and sixty families are doing intelligent gardening under the supervision of the agricultural teacher.

This work, which is going hand in hand with the demonstration work of the Extension Service, is proving to be of great value wherever it has been tried. The Extension Service has already employed 15 local agents and one District Agent, who are aiding negro farmers in certain districts of the State. The record made by these men last year was exceptionally good. In addition to the work, approximately 10,000 negro boys and girls were enrolled in the club work to receive instruction in improved methods of raising corn, poultry, pigs and cotton. Agent Wray also did considerable work among the negroes last year, among the "live-at-home" campaign, especially in the production of garden crops.