## IMPORTANT NEWS THE WORLD OVER

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THIS AND OTHER NATIONS FOR SEVEN DAYS GIVEN

## THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH

What is Taking Place in The South land Will Be Found in Brief Paragraphs

Foreign-

The council of the league of nations has concluded its sessions. The next meeting will be held at Rome, Italy, on March 15. The council agreed to admit Switzerland as an original member of the league.

Nine men were injured, two of them seriously, in two pitched battles between the officers and members of the crew of the American steamer Bottentionalities.

tion of the allies will be set forth States shipping board. at an early date. This may take the form of another communication to Germany.

Gaby Deslys, the celebrated French tion in 1909, and which led up to his home in Paris.

According to a message from Novo Rossisk, Russia, when the volunteer transport Karantin with officers and officials and their wives and children aboard, numbering 1,400, left Mariupol, on the approach of the Bolsheviki, the volunteer army, incensed at being abandoned, fired on the ship. A shell pierced the boiler and the transport went to the bottom with all aboard.

The council of the league of nations was formally opened in London. Arthur J. Balfour, representing Great Britain, assumed the chair. In his speech of welcome, Balfour said there was only one blot on the meeting, and that was that the United States was not represented at the meeting, and he said this absence marred the symmetry of the original plan of the league.

Admiral Kolchak was executed by his own troops to prevent his rescue by white troops moving in the direction of Irkutsk for that purpose, says ing a proving process at the Aberthe London Herald. The Moscow So- deen poving ground, in Aberdeen, Md., viet sent a wireless message asking his captors to spare his life, but the appeal was too late, anent which the tore up the rails for 300 feet. Naval following dispatch was sent from Moscow: "Only a few days ago Supreme! Ruler Kolchak was hoisted on his soldiers' bayonets."

session of the British house of com- which have brought about the breakmons was launched do not make much down of the postal service," has been history. No notable Irish voice was requested through Senator Charles E heard, although the Irish question was Townsend, chairman of the committhe subject of part of all the many tee on postoffices and post roads. speeches. The speech from the king was probably the ablest oration deliv- of a political nature to Duluth, Minn., ered. He advocated government in- citizens, said that Herbert Hoover, if surance and a permanent settlement nominated by the Democrats and the of the coal question. He further took Republicans choose to make the league up the whiskey question, and said better safeguards must be thrown about votes." the youth of the British empire.

Dealing at length with the situation in Russia, in his speech before the opening of the British parliament, David Lloyd-George, premier, said he agreed with the view that Europe could not be restored without putting Russia, with all her strength and resources "into circulation." Bolshevism was possibly efficient, he said, but, in his opinion, it was not democracy, and Russia must be restored, not by force, but by trade, under an anti-Bolshevik regime.

Nicholas Lenine, according to a cablegram from Berlin, is a man hater, a woman hater, an everything hater. That, says the message, is the basis of his autocracy, and now his autocracy is to be increased. He has drawn up a bill whereby all the enormous powers given hitherto, on paper, to ton, Va., of wounds received when the Bolshevik parliament shall be con-

### Washington-

million dollars, will be redeemed in church, died at his home in Morristhe near future, leaving no outstand- town, N. J., recently. ing short term certificates.

problems will be settled satisfactorily be one hundred billion dollars, an inis expressed by Secretary of the crease of three million dollars over

John Barton Payne, chairman of the shipping board and formerly gen- South in 1919 was \$7,020,000,000, as eral counsel of the railroad adminis- against \$8,768,000,000 produced from tration, will become secretary of the the other sections of the United interior March 1, succeeding Frank- States, making the total value of the comes effective on that date.

Present "excessive and onerous" second class mail rates were blamed as the major cause for suspension of 2,500 newspapers since July 1, 1918, by Victor Rosewater of Omaha, Neb., appearing before the house postoffice committee as spokesman for the

THE IS ASSESSED AND ASSESSED.

The state department has issued the following statement "Secretary Lansing has resigned and his resignation has been accepted, taking effect at

The immediate cause of the break between Secretary of State Lansing and President Wilson was resentment by the president over the calling by Secretary Lansing of meetings of the cabinet during Mr. Wilson's illness. The president charged Mr. Lansing with an "assumption of presidential authority." An amazing revelation made by the president was that he knew absolutely nothing of the cabinet meetings, which Washington and the nation had been led to believe carried the approval of the president, and their decisions and discussions reported to him.

At least two Germans were fighting in the Mexican army on August 27, 1918, at Nogales, according to the testimony of Captain Herman of the Eighth cavalry, before the senate subcommittee investigating the Mexican situation, in session at El Paso, Texas. Their bodies were found among the Mexicans killed.

To date the United States has sold wood, lying in the Danish port of through the shipping board 163 ves-Middelfart. Four of the crew were sels of the large fleet built and acarrested. It is stated that the trouble quired during the war. The governwas caused by the intoxication of the ment is now directing the operation crew, made up of men of various na- through the various shipping firms of the remainder of it senormous war The allied supreme council, after merchant marine of approximately discussing the situation arising from sixteen hundred and seventy-five ves-Germany's violent protest over the ex- sels, principall steel cargo vessels, out consulting the United States. tradition demands, agreed on the and there remain several hundred vesquestion of inststing upon these desels now under contract or construcmands. It is probable that the position yet to be delivered to the United

President Wilson has received a personal cablegram from Frederick ing to a member of Premier Miller-Wilhelm, the former German crown and's staff. prince, suggesting "if the allied and actress and dancer for whom the king associated governments want a vicof Portugal displayed special infatua- tim, let them take me instead of the 900 Germans who have committed no losing his throne, is dead at her offense other than that of serving their country in the war.

### Domestic-

New York City advices from Viena say that babies are being wrapped in newspapers instead of swaddling clothes. The message was in reply to a cablegram from the committee promising relief for the starving children of Vienna.

The storm that swept the southeast assumed ternado proportions in ZEMSTVO REGIME RECOGNIED Irwin county, Georgia, cutting a swath 200 yards wide and a mile in length. C. J. Henderson, a farmer near the town of Ocilla, and his wife and four children had just eaten dinner when the tornado lifted the roof from their home. One woman was seriously injured when eight houses were destroyed in two different neighborhoods south fo Meigs, Ga.

Two 112-pound bombs dropped from an airplane 8,000 feet in the air durofficers from Washington were at the proving ground to see the proving.

The Merchants' association of New York announces that a congres The speeches with which the new sional investigation of the "causes

William Howard Taft, in an address an issue, would poll many Republican

It is announced that three hundred thousand railwaymen and shopmen of the railroads will go on strike very soon because they can come to no agreement with Director General

Cracked and storm-battered from stem to stern, almost broken in tow amidships, the Old Dominion liner Princess Anne, abandoned except by her two first officers, was slowly being submerged by the seas as she lay strander on the sand shoals off Rockaway, New York.

S. Gordon Cumming, brother of Dr. Hugh Cumming, recently nominated surgeon general of the United States public health service, and former senator, one of the most widely known attorneys in Virginia, died at Hamphe was shot down in one of the princentrated in the executive head alone. cipal streets in the business section of that place by his divorced wife.

Rev. James Monroe Buckley. 83 years old, clergymen, editor and au-The last issue of the loan certifi- thor, and who had held many pascates of indebtedness, about sixty torates in the Methodist Episcopal

The total crop and live stock jro-Confidence that Europe's monetary duction of the South is estimated to Treasury Houston, in a review of the the value of all crops produced in the United States in 1915.

The value of crops raised in the lin K. Lane, whose resignation be- crop production in the United States \$45,788,000,000. This data shows that the South produced a fraction over 44 per cent of the entire crop of the United States during 1919.

The estimate of the live stock business of the South is three billion dollars, showing that the development American Newspaper Publishers' as of this industry is being energetically pursued.

DISAGREES STRONGLY IN THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF ADRIATIC QUESTION.

Another Delay in the Adriatic Settlement as Result of the Incident Foreseen in French Circles.

Paris.-Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador, delivered to the foreign office a memorandum from President Wilson, according to The Temps, in which the president said he could not approve of Premier Lloyd George's proposed settlement of the Adriatic question which has been submitted to the Jugo-Slavs.

The Temps says President Wilson allowed it to be understood that the United States would find it impossible to continue in conference if the allies settle the Adriatic uestion with-

The premiers have drafted a reply to President Wilson's note on the Adriatic question, which will be transmitted through the American ambassadors at London and Paris, accord-

#### PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE IS NOT TO COME TO AMERICA

London.-Premier Lloyd George is not contemplating any trip to America, it was stated, authoritatively in Downing Street.

#### VISCOUNT GREY IS TO BE SUCCEEDED BY EARL READING

London-Viscount Grey has definitely decided not to return to Washington as British ambassador, but will be succeeded by Earl Reading.

## BY RUSSIAN ORGANIZATIONS

Berlin.-Severe weather, blizzards, and snow storms in the last few days have crippled outdoor revolutionary demonstration. All government organizations are acclaiming their allegiance to the Zemstvo regime.

#### COMBINATION OF LUMBERMEN IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PRICES

Memphis, Tenn.-The government moved to lower the price of lumber missed their mark and, faling on a when the department of justice filed railroad track in the aviation field, a petition in the United States district court here asking for an injunction against 333 southern lumbermen.

#### KEY TO OFFICIAL RESIDENCE OF LORD MAYOR IS RETURNED

London.-The large key of the door of the Mansion house, official residence of the lord mayor, which was missed last summer after an entertainment given to American sailors, has just been restored through the American embassy.

#### ONE SON OF THE EX-KAISER HAS NOW TWO LIVING WIVES

New York.-Oscar, the fifth son of the ex-kaiser of Germany, has two wives. In July, 1914, his morganatio marriage to Mile. Ins. Maria Baase wit, who took the title of Countess of Ruppin, was announced. In 1916 he married Princess Marie Auguste of Anhalt. And it has never been reported either that his first marriage was annulled or that the Countess of Rupppin was dead.

#### HANGMAN OF LINCOLN MURDER SUSPECTS DIES IN MICHIGAN

Jackson, Mich.-Christian Rath, veteran of the Confederate war and executioner of the alleged conspirators convicted of being involved in the assassination of Lincoln, died here. He was born in Freidenstadt, Germany.

#### LONDON PAPERS TAUNT US ON "PRESIDENTIAL ABSOLUTISM."

London.—"President Wilson evi dently intends to take up again the reigns of government in a spirit that will brook no opposition," said The Pall Mall Gazette. "He has another year in office and the indications are that it is going to be a lively one." isolation." Some of the newspapers taunt the United States for its "presidential absolutism."

#### THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS WON IN RECENT MISSOURI CONTEST

Kansas City, Mo.—What is regarded as a complete victor, for President Wilson in his fight for the league of nations covenant and the peace treaty is seen here when incomplete returns from the third Missouri congressional district show that the democratic nominee for the vacancy made by the promotion of Joshua W. Alexander, has a majority of approximately 1,600 over his republican opponent.

# CHANGE IN HEALTH OFFICER PROTEST IS MADE

Former Public Service Man Has Been Elected Dairy Inspector and Bacteriologist of Charlotte.

Charlotte.-Dr. A. J. Warren, assistant state health officer, will take charge of the Charlotte health department about February 15, also serving as city physician. Announcement of his election to succeed Dr. C. C. Hudson was made by Mayor McNinch.

Roy Dearstyne, formerly with the United States public health service, and located at Charlotte while Camp Greene was here, also was elected dairy inspector and city bacteriologist and will arrive in Charlotte soon.

Raleigh.-Gaston county's 85th cotton mill was chartered by the secretary of state when the Stowe Spinning company of Belmont filed 4ts incorporation papers with \$1,800,000 capital

Mooresville.-While inserting wires from the top of a telephone pole here, Wright Wells, a lineman in the employ of the Southern Power company, was instantly killed when he came in contact with a live wire.

Asheville.-Robert Fisher, of Pines Creek, is dead from the kick of a horse and his wife and six small children are left in destitute circumstances, both legs were broken by the lick and the deceased developed pneumonia and died in two days.

Middlesex.-Middlesex is soon to have an electric light and power plant, the Cumberland Railway and Power Company will soon invade this section supplying light and power to the following towns, Sims, Bailey, Middlesex, Wendell and several country villages.

Spencer.—The board of aldermen and the school board tonight ordered | bed with influenza. all schools, shows and public gatherings closed on acount of the prevalent epidemic of influenza. The East Spencer schools are also closed.

Hickory.-Organization of the How ard-Hickory company to do a general nursery and landscape business, with O. Joe Howard, of Greensboro, as the managing genius, is announced here with \$125,000 authorized capital.

Morganton.-The board of home missions of the Concord Presbytery has taken a long term lease from Avery and Ervin, the owners of the cottages on the top of Burke mountain, eight miles southwest of Morganton and will open a mission school there for mountain children in April.

Lenoir.-County Farm Agent Roberts is preparing to ship three carloads of hogs from here during the month. He has notified the farmers and is asking that they advise him of the number of hogs each individual farmer has ready for shipping. Only hogs weighing between 125 and 250 will be shipped.

Charlotte.—The public schools of the city were ordered closed for one week as a precautionary measure against a further spread of influenza. This action was taken by the board of school commissioners with all members voting to "close shop" for one week. The order does not apply to the private schools and colleges of the city.

Durham.—A collision between an automobile coming from Chapel Hill ing proved very painful to both of these gentlemen. Mr. Mooney had one leg broken and otherwise bruised. Mr. Herring had his nose broken.

Mount Airy.—Contracts have been let for the building of the new state which will be 30 feet wide with a 10inch sand clay top dressing, will be built by federal aid, surveyors from Washington first approved the grades and route. In a general way the new road will follow the old route, but will be free from curves and grades as much as possible.

Many Charlotte Corporations. Charlotte.—Eighty-eight new corporations, all in Charlotte except one. four without capital stock and 34 with authorized capital stock amounting to \$9,697,000, were chartered in Mecklenburg county during the year 1919, according to the records in office of clerk of superior court.

In addition, 14 corporations in the The newspaper referred in bantering city increased their authorized capiway to "President Wilson's splendid tal stock during the year, the increase making a combined increase in authorized capital stock of \$11,147,-000 for the year.

Will Case Transferred.

Asheville.-The much debated question of jurisdiction in the Elizabeth I. Noble will case, involving between \$35,000 and \$40,000 was settled in superior court here when Judge J. L. Webb allowed a motion to move the case to Rowan county.

The case is being moved on account of the domicile of the deceased, which the court held according to the evidence submitted at a former hearing was at Salisbury and not Asheville, holding that she came here for her

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# BY WINSTON-SALEM

THE NEW ARRANGEMENT WHICH REMOVES WESTERN REVENUE BUSINESS, DISPLEASES.

## VOLUME OF WORK TOO GREAT RELIEVED OF EMBARRASSIN

The City Pays Fifty-Eight Per Cent of All Federal Taxes Collected in the State of North Carolina.

Winston-Salem. - Local agitation has been started to have the western internal revenue district re-established with offices in Winston-Salem

The announcement that all revenue business is to be centered in the office of Collector Bailey at Raleigh has brought protests from all parts of the western district. It is the opinion here that the volume of business handled in the state is too great for one office. The Winston-Salem Board of Trade is aranging to appeal to Commissioner Roper at Washington to reestablish the office in the western district and place it here.

Some of the reasons why Winston-Salem should have this office are that the city pays 58 per cent of the federal taxes in North Carolina, 70 per cent of all the tobacco taxes in the state and 33 1-3 per cent of all the tobacco taxes paid the federal government in the United States. Offices are already provided here in the big government building.

Washington.-N. C .- J. C. Edwards who resides near Pactolus, has a family of fifteen children. At present there are thirteen of them sick in

Monroe.—The county commissioners are finding it difficult to find a health officer for this county at the salary authorized, which is \$2,100, with an allowance for expenses of \$700.

Elizabeth City.-The Chowan Col-

lege trustees will meet at Edenton,

February 20, to decide on the loca-

tion of Chowan college. Elizabeth City will send a delegation and confidently hopes the college will be located here. Huntersvile.-Miss Annie Alexander, of this place, who has been in

India for the last seven years as a missionary, is reported as seriously ill with nervous prostration. Lumberton.-Dargin Hardin, Indian, had a close call when an automobile

which he was driving backed down a 40-foot embankment near Lumberton. The auto landed in four feet of water and stopped standing erect. Lincolnton.-Lieut, Col. Warren A.

Fair, commandant of Milo Wright post, American legion, Lincolnton has been requested to make arrangements for the Lincolnton post to formally present to the nearest relatives of fallen heroes in this vicinity the diplomas of honor given by the French government.

Weldon.-Jumping from an automobile which she had stalled on the S. A. L. tracks in front of the Terminal Hotel here, Mrs. Scott, of Roanoke Rapids, was badly crushed under a and a buggy in which Messrs. W. K. freight train. The other members of Herring and Lester Mooney were rid- the party, who remained in the car, escaped unhurt.

Winston-Salem .- A number of lawyers here are advocating the erection of a new courthouse. The plan suggested calls for an eight-story structure on the site of the present buildroad from Danbury to Dobson by way ing. The upper floors would be used of Mt. Airy. Since this new road, for county offices and the jail, while the first floor would be used for stores and other rental property.

Mr. W. C. Crosby, director of the State Bureau of Community Service, has gone to his home near Charlotte, where he was called by the illness of his entire family.

Cow and Engine Collide. Asheville,-When a switch engine, between Topton and Rhodo struck a cow, the engine and tender were derailed and Engineer B. R. Sowers was injured. The cow was killed and the engine and tender considerably damaged.

.The engine turned a curve, it is stated, and the cow was crossing the track, but owing to the short distrace between the engine and the cow it was impossible for the engineer to stop. Mr. Sowers remained at his post and was thrown to the ground.

Oil Land Inspectors Return. Raleigh,-Rev. S. J. Betts and Mr. Kemp Johnson arrived returning from a trip of inspection to the oil fields of Oklahoma and Texas. They were strongly impressed. Mr. Betts showed his friends a bottle of cruide oil from a well which is one of four on a tract he, Mr. Johnson and others have an option on. Mr. Betts thinks t likely the option will be closed before the time expires. He says great fortunes are being quickly made in money might as well come to Raleigh. Poindexter.

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Secretary is Glad to Give Up , to One Whose Mind is More New Attuned to That of President

Washington.-Robert Lansing his career as secretary of state President Wilson had accused of usurping the powers of President by calling meetings of the call during Mr. Wilson's illness. Mr. Lansing answered two

later-saying he had called the net conferences because he and other of the President's official family that, in view of the fact that we wa denied communication with you, it wise for us to confer informally gether on matters as to which act could not be postponed until medical adviser permitted you to pe upon them."

The secretary concluded by same that if the President believed he failed in his "loyalty" to him and Mr. Wilson no longer had confiden in him he was ready to "relieve to of any embarrassment by placing a resignation in your hands."

The President replied that he wa "much disappointed" by Mr. Lansing letter regarding "the so-called cable meetings," and added that he "my frankly take advantage of your kind suggestion" to resign.

"I must say," continued the Pres dent, "that it would relieve me of en barrassment, Mr. Secretary, the en barrassment of feeling your reluctants and divergence of judgment, if m would give up your present office as afford me an opportunity to select someone else whose mind would mon willingly go along with mine."

#### THIRTEEN THOUSAND WORKMEN ON STRIKE AT TOKIO, JAPA

Tokio.—Thirteen thousand workme in the government iron foundry hem went on strike without warning.

NEWS OF KOLCHAK KILLING IS OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED.

London.-News of the execution of Admiral Kolchak, former head of the All-Russian government, has been of ficially confirmed.

#### DANISH MINISTER WANTS DENMARK IN THE LEAGUE

Copenhagen.-The Danish minister of foreign affairs has requested the assent of parliament to the proposal that Denmark join the league of na tions.

#### WILLIAM PHILLIPS IS TO BE MINISTER TO NETHERLANDS

Washington.-President Wilson is understood to have decided on the ap pointment of William Phillips, assist ant secretary of state, as minister to the Netherlands.

#### RED CROSS IS MOBILIZING ALL NURSES IN THE SOUTH.

Atlanta, Ga .- Mobilization of all Red Cross nurses in the Southern division was ordered at headquarters in an effort to combat influenza which is said to be spreading rapidly in South Carolina and to a lesser degree in Tennessee and Florida.

#### ARIZONA HAS RATIFIED WOMAN SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

Phoenix, Ariz.- Ratification of the woman suffrage ariendment to the federal constitution la a special session of the Arizona legislature, was compl ted when the senate adopted the ratifying resolution following similar action by the house. Arizona is the 31st state to ratify.

NEW NOTE ON EX-KAISER HAS BEEN FORWARDIED TO HOLLAND

London.-A new silied note to Holland regarding the extradition of according to The Evening Standard.

former Emperer William desptached The note, says the newspaper, makes a strong appeal to the Dutch govern ment "not to create greater difficulties in Europe by insisting on the right of asylum for the man characteried as the author of the world's present trou-

#### POINDEXTER VERY SEVERE ON AMERICAN FEDERATION LABOR

Utica, N. Y.—Charges that behind the announced plan of the American Federation of Labor to obtain the election of a congress and a president favorable to its policies existed a sill ister movement of a small coterie of labor leaders who have grown power ful by the constributions they have levied upon labor to set up a "governthe oil fields. He thinks some of this here by United States Senator Miles