

The Weather

Fair Thursday, colder in interior and at night on the coast; Friday fair, colder in east portion.

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SWEEPING CHANGES MADE IN DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL WORK

Commissions Abolished and Matter Placed In Hands of an Executive Council

BISHOP DARST WILL HEAD NEW DEPARTMENT

Action Will Amount to Virtual Reorganization of East Carolina Diocese

(Special to The Star) Fayetteville Jan. 21.—The Episcopal council for the diocese of Eastern Carolina at its afternoon session here today took one of the most important steps of its recent history when the various commissions for religious education, social service, etc., were abolished, and such matters placed in the hands of an executive council with the bishop at the head.

Sum Too Large, Says Cummings

Says Democrats Are Not Seeking to Raise \$20,000,000 For Campaign Fund During Coming Election.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Chairman Cummings of the democratic national committee today made public a letter to the editors of the New York Tribune in which he stated that the sum of \$20,000,000 for this year's presidential campaign.

FAIR AVIATRIX Baffles Police

Woman May Be Missing Jeanne Anna de Kay

New York, Jan. 21.—A young woman garbed as an aviator was being held at a police station here tonight while puzzled police sought to determine whether she is Jeanne Anna de Kay, missing from the airplane of Hull House, Chicago.

CHICAGO GRAND JURY IS BUSY Indicts 37 For Radical Tendencies

Chicago, Jan. 21.—The special grand jury which has been investigating red activities in Chicago, today returned indictments against William B. Lloyd, millionaire socialist, and thirty-seven other alleged members of the communist party.

POLICE COMMISSIONER IS KILLED AT DUBLIN

Shot to Death On a Main Thoroughfare

MAJOR TOMLINSON, OF HIGH POINT, IS DEAD

Prominent As Manufacturer And Scholar

Owen Attacks Graham Bill as a Violation of the Constitution

Washington, Jan. 21.—The Graham anti-secession bill, pending in the house, was attacked by Senator Owen today in an address before the National Popular Government League, of which he is president.

SENATE COMMITTEE PUTS A DAMPER ON CHARLESTON DREAM

Sees No Urgent Or Pressing Need For Big Drydock At Palmetto Metropolis

Washington, Jan. 21.—No urgent need exists for the construction at Charleston, S. C., navy yard at present of a large drydock and enormous expenditure for the dredging of a channel in order to permit of canal ships to enter the dock, according to the report of the senate sub-committee which recently visited the yard.

AYDLETT IS NAMED DISTRICT ATTORNEY

President Sends Name of Elizabeth City Man to Senate For Confirmation

(Special to The Star) Washington, Jan. 21.—President Wilson sent today to the senate the nomination of E. F. Aydlett to be United States attorney for the eastern district of North Carolina to succeed T. D. Warren.

DUTCH ANSWER NEARLY READY

Will be Forwarded To Paris This Week

The Hague, Jan. 21.—(By The Associated Press.)—The reply of the Dutch government to the demands of the German emperor should be given up to them for trial will be forwarded some time this week to the Dutch ministers at Paris for communication to the allies.

FINANCIERS END GROUP SESSIONS

Delegates to Pan-American Conference Discuss Various National Problems

Washington, Jan. 21.—Delegates to the Pan-American financial congress today met in a session to discuss various national problems as carried in group sessions, with American business men acting as advisers.

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Would Combine Railway Lines

Proposal Submitted to Congress Calls for Ten Major Competitive Trunk Lines in United States.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Consolidation of the nearly 160 major railroad lines of the country into fourteen main competitive systems was proposed in a statement submitted today by John E. Oldham, of Boston, vice president of the Investment Workers' association to the conference committee of the senate and house attempting to harmonize differences between the Cummins and Esch railroad bills.

The plan proposed by Oldham, which in its basic principles has been approved by the chamber of commerce of the United States contemplated consolidation of the Pennsylvania system with the New York, New Haven and Hartford into a single system; Boston and Maine, Maine Central and a number of smaller lines into another system; the Erie, Lehigh Valley, Wabash, Pere Marquette and several smaller lines into a system, and the Baltimore & Ohio, Chesapeake & Ohio, Philadelphia & Reading, Norfolk & Western and some small lines into still another system.

Among the other ten systems proposed are: Coast Line-Louisville and Nashville system of the Atlantic Coast Line including Louisville and Nashville, Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis; Charleston and Western Carolina; Louisville, Henderson and St. Louis, and Georgia; and these independent roads: Norfolk and Southern; Chicago, Terre Haute and Southwestern; and Tennessee Central; total mileage, 18,447; earnings per mile \$9.248.

Illinois Central, Seaboard system; the Illinois Central, including Texas and Oklahoma; the Georgia system, including these independent lines; Seaboard Air Line; Atlanta Birmingham and Atlantic; Atlantic and Western Pacific; Western of Alabama, and Georgia; and Florida; total mileage, 12,738; earnings per mile \$10.225.

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CONGRESS OBSERVES THRIFT WEEK; CUTS MANY EXPENDITURES

Wave of Economy Hits Both Houses and Solons Use The Paring Knife

BOTH PARTIES UNITE IN ELIMINATING "POKY"

Diplomatic and Consular Service, And Americanization Bill Hardest Hit

Washington, Jan. 21.—Congress held its "thrift week celebration" today, a wave of economy sweeping both the senate and house. The net result was: Decision by the public buildings committee not to recommend passage at this session of a public buildings bill.

Reduction by the house foreign affairs committee of the annual diplomatic and consular service bill to \$8,843,038, which is \$3,988,125 less than the state department request, and \$1,032,074 less than was appropriated for the present fiscal year.

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WHAT DIAL THINKS

Senator Dial said the tax payers of the United States were "getting tired" of being overburdened.

In cutting down appropriations in the diplomatic and consular service bill the house committee denied Secretary Lansing's instructions from the senate to increase the salaries of ambassadors and ministers. The only increases granted over present expenditures were a flat \$1,000 advance in salary to secretaries of embassies and legations and an additional item of \$25,000 for passport control bringing the total for that purpose up to \$441,421.

The drastic cut in appropriations for river and harbor improvements authorized by the House Rivers and Harbors committee in paring down the annual appropriation bill for that purpose from \$42,500,000 to \$13,400,000, contained in the House bill, was met with approval by many members of the committee today who began the drafting of a new bill which would appropriate \$25,000,000. The new bill which will be offered as a substitute for the majority's measure will specify that improvements to be made instead of leaving expenditure to the war department as provided in that reported to the house.

MEXICO'S EFFORTS TO BLOCK PROBE ARE NOTED

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 21.—Cognizance was taken by the senate sub-committee investigating the Mexican situation, today of the official effort being made by Mexico to prevent the taking of testimony, when there was inserted in the record the Mexican consul's instructions from the foreign office. That was followed by a request to Henry Forster, who had just testified, to report to the committee any refusal by a Mexican consul to vouch his passport.

Two witnesses today, E. L. Turner and W. B. Hinkley, testified concerning raids in the lower Rio Grande valley in 1917, in which they had been convicted in accordance with the Plan of San Diego.

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE PREVENTS A LYCHING

Macon, Ga., Jan. 21.—Deputies from the Wilkinson county sheriff's office arriving here today with Jim Denson, 38 year old negro, under death sentence for an attack upon a 73-year-old white woman, near Tomaboro on January 8, told how Judge J. H. Park of the Ocmulgee circuit superior court prevented lynching of the negro.

Judge Park convened a special term of court at Irwinton to try the negro, but before allowing the sheriff to take the prisoner to that town for trial, from the jail in this city, he exacted a promise from the citizens that they would permit the law to take its course. Two witnesses were heard. A jury convicted Denson yesterday in a few minutes, and the court sentenced him to hang on Friday, Feb. 5.