

Returned Statesmen See European War Soon With Hatred Noted Everywhere

Senator McKellar Says France Can Pay Interest on Its Debt
SWANSON PREDICTS GERMAN DICTORATE
McKinley Says Huns Will Pay Reasonable Reparation if Allies Agree

SETTLEMENT IN RUHR LIKELY ON THURSDAY AS REICHSTAG MEETS

French Fear New Complications, Including Nationalist Movement Separating Bavaria
BERLIN, Sept. 25.—(By Associated Press)—Support of Chancellor Stresemann in his efforts to bring about a speedy termination of the Ruhr and Rhineland conflict, has sufficiently crystallized to warrant the prediction that the government will command more than a comfortable majority in approval of its formal declaration to the Reichstag Thursday.

The mention of this promptly mellowed the wave ring doubters, but the reactionaries preferred to make an issue of the nation's honor and dignity.

Paris Fears New Moves
PARIS, Sept. 25.—(By Associated Press)—The political situation in Germany as the aftermath of the decision to abandon passive resistance in the Ruhr is being watched by the French government with some anxiety.

The allied troops, it is asserted in official circles, will not be allowed to take sides in any conflict, as in the case of other military forces remaining in the Ruhr.

Senator Underwood at Charlotte Exposition

CHARLOTTE, Sept. 25.—Senator Underwood of Alabama, and hundreds of other Rotarians of the Carolinas were among the thousands of visitors today at the "Made in Carolina" exposition. The day was designated as "Rotary day" and was featured by a luncheon of the local club and representatives of other clubs of the two states.

MEETING AT NURSE'S HOME
There will be a meeting of the Women's hospital committee at the Nurses Home at the James Walker hospital this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

WALTON APPEALS TO PRESIDENT FOR AID IN OKLAHOMA MIXUP

Gets Lower House Key from Meeting in Federal Building Today
25,000 MEN IN STATE VOLUNTEER GUARDS
Governor Calls for Militiamen to Capital But Expects no Bloodshed

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 25.—(By Associated Press) President Coolidge and Attorney General Daugherty were appealed to tonight by Gov. J. C. Walton to use their good offices to prevent members of the lower house of the Oklahoma legislature from convening in a federal building in the state.

Thirty-five thousand men in the state have volunteered for service in the Oklahoma national guard during the legislative crisis, Gov. J. C. Walton announced here tonight.

Because of the military censorship over the troop movements, Governor Walton declined to say what unit had been called.

The executive made light of reports that there would be bloodshed and violence when the legislators attempt to meet tomorrow.

Why I could take a cap pistol and drive all of those fellows into the Red river, the governor said jocularly.

A general order issued by Adj. Gen. B. H. Markham forbidding the convening tomorrow of a special session of the state house of representatives was served here today.

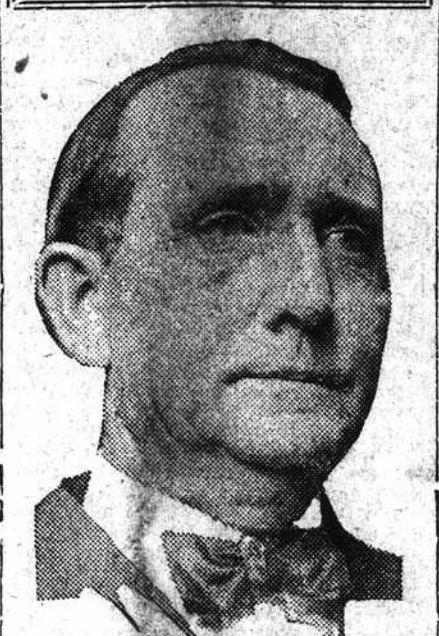
As the order was served, each member asked if he was being served as an individual or as a legislator.

Authoritative sources which could not be revealed expressed the belief that a "gentleman's agreement" would prevent any danger of bloodshed.

PRAYER MEETING AT HIGH
The new Baptist congregation meets the first time Wednesday night at the high school for a series of prayer meetings.

WEATHER FORECAST
WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair Wednesday and probably Thursday; moderate temperature; moderate east winds.

SELECTED



William J. Fields, of Olive Hill, Ky., representative of the ninth district in congress, has been selected by the democratic state central and executive committees, as candidate for governor of Kentucky to succeed the late Congressman Campbell Cantrill.

BELGIANS IN RACE IN 600-MILE SCORE FOR GIANT BALLOON

Five Pilots Killed, Four Others Injured, Several Bags Destroyed

BRUSSELS, Sept. 25.—(By Associated Press) Belgium appears to have won the international balloon race for the Gordon Bennett cup against this year, either with DeMuyt, the landing of whose balloon Belgium, at 1 o'clock Monday near the center of Sweden gives him a distance of about 800 miles.

Leopold, whose race at the moment is unknown, is expected to win the DeMuyt's distance last year, when he won the trophy, was 375 miles, and his time then was 25 hours, as compared with 31 hours this year.

The tragic race which started Sunday from the broad plain of Solbosch outside of Brussels, caused the death of five pilots or airdes, the grave injury of one and less serious injuries to four others, the destruction of several of the balloons and the fall of two of them into the sea—all of which may lead to the race rules being changed for future contests.

DuBois who had a miraculous escape when the French balloon Savile fell mass-like, owing to the snow which collected on it, wants the race in June or July.

President Jacobs of the Belgian Aero club is against changing the regulations so far as concerns postponing the start.

The equinoctial period was chosen because by the winds in Belgium carry the balloons toward central and southern Europe, not toward England and the ocean.

TARIFA BILL PASSES HOUSE
HAVANA, Sept. 25.—(By Associated Press)—The railroad and port measure, known as the Tarifa bill, finally passed the house tonight.

THEY'RE SHOOTING FOR UNCLE SAM

These nine men are America's crack snipers. They make up the United States international rifle team now being away at the bullseye at Camp Perry, Ohio, in their fight to retain the Argentine trophy.

PRESBYTERY MEETS IN OLDEST CHURCH IN 108TH SESSION

Elects the Rev. R. E. McClure of Garland for New Moderator
MACDONALD COLLEGE CALLS FOR SUPPORT
Education of Young Women of Church is Referred to Standing Committee

Wilmington Presbytery convened Tuesday morning at South River Presbyterian church, near Garland, in its one hundred and eighth semi annual session. After the sermon by the retiring moderator, Rev. D. M. McGeachy, of Chadbourn, the meeting was called to order and Rev. R. E. McClure of Garland was elected moderator.

Perhaps the most important matter brought before the presbytery today was presented by Dr. C. G. Vardell, president of Flora Macdonald College, Red Springs, N. C.

It was emphasized that a recent meeting of the association of college presidents of the Southern Presbyterian church had gone on record as believing that the most pressing educational need of the girls colleges, Episcopal of the church was the adequate endowment of the girls colleges.

Equipment Fund Support Urged
Representatives of the equipment fund were present urging the support of this work as Rev. A. W. Crawford of Greensboro, presenting synodical home missions.

At the night session Rev. W. H. Goodman, preached an inspiring sermon on the subject, "How Presbyterianism Appeals to the Unsaved."

The Presbytery is meeting in one of the oldest churches in its bounds. The exact date of the organization is not known, but the church is the original grant to early settlers in this neighborhood, of a plot of ground for Divine worship.

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The house had concurred in the senate amendment to the original bill, and the measure now goes to President Zayas for action.

Triumphant Success Marks Opening Night of Annual Food and Fashion Display

WIFE'S APPEAL GETS PAROLE FOR HUSBAND AFTER FAMILY SPLIT
Albert Sanderlin and Austin Garrison of New Hanover County Released

Raleigh, N. C. Sept. 25.—The appeal of a wife for the freedom of her husband who had deserted her gained a parole today for Theodore Bryant of Pitt County.

Bryant was under a two year sentence on the Pitt county roads for abandonment. Judge Henry A. Grady in recommending his parole to Governor Morrison wrote "I do not usually recommend pardons or reprieves, but in this case I am willing for this poor devil to be turned out. Certainly if his wife can stand it, we can, and his sin is mostly against her. I concur in the position of the solicitor."

Eleven paroles were granted by Governor Morrison today while four applications for paroles were declined.

Those paroled include Albert Sanderlin and Austin Garrison, of New Hanover county, two youths sentenced last June to six months on the county roads for store breaking and larceny.

State Crop of Sweets 100,126,000 Bushels
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 25.—The bureau of markets of the depot of agriculture forecasts a crop of 100,126,000 bushels of sweet potatoes for North Carolina this year.

Government May Help State Fish Hatchery
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 25.—At the request of the Hon. J. K. Dixon, North Carolina's senator, the Fisheries commission will provide him from Morehead to have a conference with the United States Commissioner of Fisheries in an effort to help the North Carolina Fisheries commission with their fish hatchery plan.

Lloyd George Declines To Make Goldsboro Date
WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—A committee composed of R. O. Everett, Gen. Julian Carr, Col. and Mrs. Benjamin Cameron, Gen. A. J. Bowley and Mrs. R. L. Flowers will call on Secretary Weeks Friday morning and invite him to take part in the Bennett page memorial unveiling.

LOUISIANA WINS HONORS
WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—On the face of physical efficiency test results at civilian training camps in the southeastern during the summer, Louisiana carried off the honors, the 556 youngsters from that state who competed making an average of 62.5 points which under the war department system of rating gives them "college standard—fair."

Fayetteville Mayor Orders Chorus Girls of "Cuddle Up" To Put On Their Long Skirts Or Leave Stage

FAYETTEVILLE, Sept. 25.—Fayetteville had its first taste of the show business something like 10 years ago when Mayor H. McD. Robinson last night compelled the attractive chorus girls of "Cuddle Up" to put on long dresses before he would consent to allow the show to proceed.

with the much advertised chorus attracted in street corners. Some of the gowns appeared to have come from the bottom of a trunk with no time for ironing.

It is said that a gentleman who had seen the show pleaded with Mayor Robinson to allow the company to produce the Mexican scene in all its original beauty, but the mayor was adamant. The costumes which Fayetteville theatre goers missed in this scene are said to have been particularly lavish and entirely modest.

A considerable delegation of representative Fayetteville citizens saw the musical comedy at the War Department theatre at Fort Bragg Sunday night, and officials there had not heard a single word of criticism.

Surprises Come in Swift Succession as Fashion's Decree is Told
EUNICE WILLIAMS IS DANCING STAR
Gorgeous Gowns, and Charming Milinery Are Pictured in Splendor

Triumph, clear-out, magnificent, was scored last night as the curtain lifted over the great annual Food and Fashion show in the city auditorium. Triumph of a kind that shall long live in the annals of Wilmington's endeavor to present the spectacle of grace, art and beauty, was registered in terms that cannot brook denial.

Predominated by the taunting atmosphere of the Orient, poignant with the splendor of fashion's greatest picture book, a monstrous assembly witnessed the first night performance which not only featured the charms of milady, but pictured, in vivid colors the prize treasure of Wilmington's own vibrant young womanhood.

Citizens Grow Pleased
Nor could one, with the pride of Wilmington nurtured closely to the heart, fall to feel that spirit grow and expand, when it was considered that the very inception, the working out, the unfolding, the climax of all the grandeur was Wilmington's own beginning to end.

Half a hundred models paraded on the runway from the throne upon the stage, far out into the auditorium, displaying the modes which will be in vogue this fall and winter season. The leading merchants of the city furnished gowns, hats shoes and hosiery. The music was presented by the American Legion band. The proceeds of the show which will be another performance tonight, and close tomorrow night, will go to the Legion to be expended in such manner as the organization see fit and worthy.

Dances Best Feature
Eunice Williams, charming of personality, the personification of grace and beauty, was the star of the evening. Miss Williams appeared in the Dance of the Vanities assisted by three little girls, one interpreting the powder puff, another the lip stick, and the third the remaining rouge.

Another dance was given by Miss Josephine Reher, presented as "Our Own Mae Murry" and the terpsichorean fantasy rendered was an exact replica of a dance featured by that famous film in the picture called "Broadway Rose."

Under the personal direction of Mrs. Hattie Taylor Schiller, the spectacle opened with the curtain's parting for ever over the season of 1923. Arranged on the steps that led down from the stage, were twelve little coolie girls, brilliantly attired, who thereupon arose and stepped a delightful Chinese dance down the shining promenade.

The first models to appear wore the gowns of Futch's department stores. Even before the first models were aware of it, the first spotlight came down from the stage, a phenomenal green creation worn by a model of striking grace and fine features. Then the show was on.

Creations of a nature which shall not be soon forgotten in dressmaking were presented by Goodman's and the display closed its first performance with a striking array of gowns, suits, coats and hats from Belk-Williams company.

Other surprises, as great as those witnessed last night, are in store for patrons of the show tonight and tomorrow night. Programs are not given out in advance, but the features to be seen at the next two performances will be entirely different.

The hall of the auditorium presents several displays by various merchants of the city.

Seaboard Makes Hard Fight Against Clinchfield Lease; Spartanburg Endorses A. C. L.

By H. E. C. BRYANT
WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The opposition to the lease of the Clinchfield to the Atlantic Coast line and Louisville and Nashville began today presenting its side of the case before Director McMillan of the interstate commerce commission.

As indicated at every former stage of the controversy the Seaboard interests contended that the Clinchfield should be made a bridge line, open to other carriers, and that the two that are seeking the lease for nearly a thousand years.

Builders of the Seaboard were present in J. M. Barr, former president, recalling the fierce fight for opening the Clinchfield coal fields, said it was desirable that the Clinchfield road be developed, but he opposed this being done by one system alone.

Seaboard Fights Hard
The Seaboard is making a hard fight. Forney Johnson, its attorney, contended every point. Representatives of North Carolina and Charlotte will probably be heard tomorrow.

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"Spartanburg," he continued, "feels that her rate adjustments have been dominated by the lines serving the northern and southern gateways. While we feel that the rate and adjustments should be made over the middle routes, we feel, as I said before, that the erection of additional competing trunk lines through the middle route will have some influence along this line."

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He pointed to the fact that congestion at North Atlantic ports would be relieved and that important development would follow a connection between the west and south.

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