

FOOD SHORTAGE AND FIGHTING PREVAIL IN GERMAN CAPITAL

Return of Ebert government to control makes very little difference

SANGUINARY FIGHTING OCCURS AT INTERVALS

Troops from Silesia Have Arrived in Ruhr District—General Strike has been called in Munich today say reports

Berlin, March 22.—Notwithstanding the return of the Ebert government to control, there still prevails here much the aspect of an armed camp with the food supply short and sanguinary fighting occurring at intervals in the suburbs. Serious trouble occurred in the Ruhr industrial districts Sunday night and in one conflict reported Sunday twenty Spartans were killed in an engagement and 21 others who were captured summarily executed.

REPORT OF RED FORCES IS EXAGGERATED

Stuttgart, March 22.—By the Associated Press.—Troops from Silesia are officially reported to have arrived in the Ruhr district and fighting with the Spartans army there is expected to ensue. It is admitted, however, that the estimates placing the total of the Spartans in the Ruhr district at 100,000 are exaggerated.

MRS. C. R. ROBBINS DIES IN COLUMBIA

Funeral Will be Held From Home in Williford Section Tomorrow

The remains of Mrs. C. R. Robbins, who died in Columbia, S. C., Sunday morning after a brief illness of pneumonia, were brought to Rocky Mount in the Williford section, Tuesday afternoon. The funeral will be held from her home in the Williford section tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock.

Whitfield Trial Held In Nashville Today

The trial of N. B. Whitfield, the white man charged by his daughter, Miss Minnie Tharrington, with assault and committing a capital offense upon her, is being heard in Nashville today. The various attorneys and witnesses and others concerned in the case having gone to the Nashville capital this morning.

McLendon Meeting Started WITH TWO SUNDAY SERVICES

Cyclone Mac opens Heavy Artillery in Bombardment Against the Devil in Rocky Mount—Evangelist Introduced Yesterday Afternoon by Mayor Thorne

Rev. Baxter P. McLendon is making his campaign against the devil in Rocky Mount and the two services which he introduced yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock and 7 o'clock were well attended. The services were held at the Methodist church, presided over by Mayor Thorne, who introduced the evangelist.

The Holy Spirit will give you a deed to your freedom with the mortgages paid off, and it will not be mist I Lord, but may I Lord. It is a great waste of time and effort to prepare sermons for angels that you expect to preach to men and women.

At the services in the evening, Rev. McLendon introduced the Holy Spirit as a personified power, and Rev. Thorne introduced the Holy Spirit as a personified power, and Rev. Thorne introduced the Holy Spirit as a personified power.

FEBRUARY EXPORTS REGISTER DECLINE

Decided Drop is Indicated in Statistics Issued by Government

Washington, March 22.—A decided drop in exports was indicated in the statistics of the Department of Commerce issued today. The total value of exports for February was \$1,282,000,000, a decided drop from the \$1,482,000,000 for January.

LABOR TO OPPOSE CUMMINGS IN THE COMING ELECTION

Announcement Made by Officials of Order of Railway Conductors

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS WILL STUDY RECORD

Opposition to Iowa Senator Caused by his Authorship of Anti-Strike Provision—Will Oppose Other Candidates.

Washington, March 22.—Senator Cummings' record in Washington and before the national railroad conductors' convention in St. Louis, Mo., last week, was studied by labor organizations today. The organizations are expected to oppose Cummings in the coming election.

INVITATIONS SENT FOR INAUGURATION

U. N. C. Will Make Chase Inauguration Most Auspicious Occasion

Chapel Hill, N. C., March 22.—Invitations were sent today to the inauguration of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N. C., on Saturday, May 1, 1920. The inauguration is expected to be the most auspicious occasion in the history of the university.

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Original Treaty in Hands of President

Washington, March 22.—The official copy of the treaty of Versailles which President Wilson brought from Paris and personally delivered to the Senate and which were returned to the White House Saturday is again in the president's possession. No word came from the White House today with regard to the president's possible course since the senate has refused four times to ratify it.

WOMAN APPOINTED TO HIGH POSITION

Mrs. Helen Gardner Given Place on Civil Service Commission

REPLACES GALLOWAY

Strife Worker is First Woman to Occupy Such Position—Reorganization of the Commission is Now Completed.

Washington, March 22.—Mrs. Helen Gardner, a strife worker, was today appointed to the position of chief clerk of the Civil Service Commission, replacing Galloway. The reorganization of the commission is now completed.

MERCHANTS OPPOSE MUNICIPAL BOOTHS

Low Prices Charged by Government Arouse the French Merchants

Paris, March 22.—Food merchants are opposing the plan for the establishment of municipal booths for the sale of food and other necessities. The merchants are aroused by the low prices charged by the government.

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REPUBLICANS MAY FORM NEW PARTY

Senator France Urged Liberals to Combat "Bourbon Autoeracy"

RAPS PARTY RECORD

Maryland senator condemns alike both democrats and certain elements of republicans—Says they are decadent.

Washington, March 22.—Warning that republicans might form a new party to fight "Bourbon Autoeracy" was sounded today in the senate by Senator France, republican of Maryland.

PLAN 'CLEAN UP WEEK' IN STATE

Week Beginning March 28 is Designated as Time for Activity

Raleigh, March 22.—At a recent conference with Insurance Commissioner Young and his corps of women who have charge of the industrial work of the insurance department, acting in concert with the state superintendent of public instruction, Secretary W. S. Eason of the state board of health, and Mrs. H. W. Child of the state department of the state federation of women's clubs, it was decided to hold the state "clean up week" during the week beginning March 28.

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Declares Benson is Official Who Warned Him Against the British

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