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THE KAISER

Undoubtedly the possibilities of trouble from the former Kaiser's domestication in Holland are of a nature to justify the apprehensions of the London papers. He was born in the household of intrigue and was bred on that doctrine. If he should be given undisturbed refuge in Holland it would not be long until he would be engaged in the formulation of a menacing movement of some sort and he would be working under the cover he knows so well.

SETTLING INTO GOOD BEHAVIOR

German people and rulers appear to be gradually recovering from the shock and settling down to a conservative and saner consideration of their condition, so it is no surprise to learn that wiser councils are prevailing in new governmental agencies and that the future policies are being shaped more in accordance with the plans the Allied Powers would insist upon when it came to passing on the form of Government these rulers would offer for acceptance.

A COMING EVENT FOR CHARLOTTE.

The State is being "billed" with some attractive advertising matter in connection with the exhibition and sale of breeding animals by the North Carolina Livestock, Dairying and Poultry Associations, scheduled for Charlotte during the week of December 10 to 13.

THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION.

President Wilson has set speculation at rest. He has made frank statement of his plans for attendance on the opening of the peace conference, at the same time intimating that he will remain no longer than to see the machinery put in smooth running order.

POINTING TO BETTER THINGS.

The wedge has been started in, as witness the action of Postmaster General Burleson in ordering a reduction in telegraph rates on night messages. The public might see a faint hope, also, for the coming of lower passenger fares in the exhibit made of the lowering of losses in guarantees to about \$200,000,000, from the \$500,000,000 loss which had been anticipated.

THE LAW AND THE MOB.

A number of arrests have been made in Winston-Salem of people suspected of having had part in starting the recent disorders there and fact that their bonds were fixed at \$5,000 gives encouragement to the belief that the arrests are not of the matter-of-form order, but that there is a firm intention to sift the responsibility and to punish the guilty.

GREAT BRITAIN'S LOSSES.

The figures bearing on British losses in the four years' war with Germany are coming out officially and they bear ample testimony to the heroic part the soldiers of Great Britain took in the mighty struggle. The casualties in their entirety totalled 3,049,991 men.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

The London Express intimates that arrangements for the peace conference are about completed and we may anticipate information in a day or two on place and time, as well as upon the personnel of the important body. It may be set down as a certainty that two Americans who will figure in it are President Wilson and Mr. House.

THE BREWERY MONKY.

It now appears that the investigation into the matter of German money and The Washington Times, just taken up, is to be in the actual nature of a preliminary. The scope has been broadened through information lodged by Department of Justice agents so as to cover the whole field of German brewery interests in the propaganda.

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LOOKING BACKWARD

Items of Interest Concerning Persons and Events in the Carolinas, From The Observer of This Date, 1908 and 1909.

TEN YEARS AGO

"You may think there is nothing for the legislature to do but you just wait until it meets."—Durham Herald.
At the morning bridge party given by Mrs. Henry B. Fowler in honor of Miss Hal Moore, of Raleigh, guest of Mrs. R. S. Busbee, the prize for the highest score was won by Mrs. R. M. Miller, Jr., and the second prize by Mrs. H. L. Adams.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Boston, Nov. 18.—Rush orders for the several war vessels now being repaired at the Charleston navy yard were received today. Three vessels, the monitor Amphitrite, the cruiser Detroit and the gun boat Castine, were especially mentioned in the order.
Anniston, Nov. 15.—A riot is imminent here. Negro soldiers interfered with the white provost guards as they were arresting a drunken negro soldier. The negro was finally handed in by the provost guard, surrounded by an angry mob of white soldiers.
Springfield, Ill., Nov. 15.—The mother of Charlotte Crane, the actress, resides in Springfield. She said she was in the city in the early days of the war. Her daughter was to marry Coxswain Peterson, of the United States navy, was without foundation.
Cotton receipts yesterday, 631 bales. The merchants will be opening up their Christmas goods in the city.
For the first time Charlotte last night heard Campanari, the greatest of living baritone. Assisted by Miss Clark, pianist, he gave a concert in the Academy of Music and each person who heard him was soon keyed up to concert-pitch enthusiasm. He took the house by storm as those who had heard him in New York and elsewhere, knew that he would. His voice is simply superb. His notes are wonderful for softness and sweetness incomparable, and for vocalization perfect. He handles it with ease and sureness of the life-long artist that he is and in his torrents of melody to the point of forgetfulness of all things save him and his gift.
Mr. L. N. Webster, of Fayetteville, is in the city stopping at the Selwyn. Mr. Webster was formerly a citizen of Charlotte.
The many friends in this city and section will regret to know that Mr. W. Freeman Robinson, a prominent young attorney of Lancaster, S. C., has been brought to St. Peter's hospital for treatment of cancer of the stomach.
Columbia, S. C., Nov. 18.—A special to The Columbia State from Bamberg says: Fire today destroyed the gin house and crushing mill of the Bamberg Cotton Oil company, causing a loss of approximately \$75,000, partially covered by insurance.
Mount Airy, Nov. 18.—The twin babies of Mrs. Grayley, of this city, only about four months old, were found dead in bed November 16. It is a mystery what caused the death of both children at the same time. On arising the mother noticed nothing wrong, but on returning to them after other duties was horrified to discover both little ones dead. Mrs. Grayley was killed by lightning when the twins were only a few hours old.

TAR HEEL PRINTS

The Wag!
(From The Mooreville Enterprise.)
It was the usual remark of the wag who jestingly stated "that he certainly feels sorry for the doctor." Since it has been declared there will be no more men drafted for the army," he said, "all those fellows who have been having fits, heart trouble, consumption, and other ailments, will be the healthiest men in the community, and the 'docs' who have been so terribly busy will lose that patronage."
Good Work.
(From The Monroe Enquirer.)
An automobile excursion will be run from Monroe to Wadesboro at an early date to inspect Asson county roads. The excursion will be under the auspices of the Monroe Chamber of Commerce and will be made up of representative citizens of Monroe and Union county. It is to be hoped that after the good roads are put down and enjoyed that our people will be prompted to follow suit, and that some plan may be evolved by which Union county's roads may be made better.
Daniels' Program.
(From The Statesville Landmark.)
Secretary Daniels' speech that the man now living will see, unless wisdom departs from us, the government depart from building and operating cargo-carrying ships. The government, Mr. Daniels contends, "will build a fleet of passenger and trade vessels, guarantee freight rates at cost to introduce American-made goods and enjoy a fair share of the carrying trade of the world." The navy will also be kept at sufficient strength, the secretary says, to insure the freedom of the seas and to contribute our share to the police force of the world. The secretary's program, The Landmark believes, will meet with general approval. The American flag on American merchant ships should be conspicuous on every sea.

45 NURSES AT MORGANTON STATE HOSPITAL ARE ILL

Influenza Quarantine in Town
Extended Indefinitely; Situation Still Bad.
Special to The Observer.
Morganton, Nov. 19.—The Morganton influenza quarantine which has been extended several times has again been extended indefinitely. The situation is still bad and there seems to be no decrease within the past several weeks.

COL. OLDS' KIDDIES PICK 60,000 POUNDS COTTON

Special to The Observer.
Raleigh, Nov. 19.—Col. F. A. Olds is very proud of the record his company of school children are making in cotton picking. They have "the kiddie pickers" of Raleigh and have picked in over 60,000 pounds of cotton in the last season and they have much work ahead of them. Besides the "good money" the children have earned they have had the finest sort of a time in the fields and riding in trucks, wagons, automobiles and other vehicles to and from the city to get to the farms on which they were engaged.

NEW RAILROAD BRIDGE NEAR SPENCER PLANNED

Special to The Observer.
Spencer, Nov. 19.—Government inspectors in Spencer this week announced that a new railroad bridge will be erected at once across the big Yadkin river two miles north of this place. The new bridge will take the place of the older of two structures now in use, which was built some 30 years ago soon after a noted wreck when a train went into the river. It rests on stone and concrete piers along side a new bridge built 11 years ago when the main line of the Southern was double tracked. It is estimated that it will cost about \$75,000 and will take perhaps six months to erect. The new bridge, the old bridge has been much hard service, accommodating about 100 trains daily for many years, and many noted persons have crossed the river at this place.

HAMLET SERVICE FLAG CONTAINS 361 STARS

Special to The Observer.
Hamlet, Nov. 19.—The Hamlet service flag was dedicated Sunday afternoon at public exercises held at the opera house. Appropriate exercises were held, including addresses by Rev. A. T. Young, Rev. J. M. Page, M. W. Nash and Prof. C. S. Warren. The flag was received in behalf of the town by S. W. Clark.
After the exercises at the opera house the flag was raised in front of the postoffice. The flag contains 361 stars, denoting that Hamlet has sent to the army, navy and marine corps, 160 men, and one nurse. Miss Madge Duke has the honor of being the nurse.
The flag contained one gold star in honor of Private John F. Blalock, who was killed in action.

GUARANTINE LIFTED AT GAFFNEY; SCHOOLS OPEN

Special to The Observer.
Gaffney, Nov. 19.—The quarantine, which has been in evidence for some weeks, has been suspended, and there were services at all of the churches Sunday, and the schools opened yesterday with very good attendance.

NEWSPAPER SENTIMENT

CONDITIONS CHANGED.
(From The Springfield Republican.)
Bismarck in 1871 insisted rudely on talking German to the French negotiators, knowing that they could not understand him; Herr Erzberger addressed Marshal Foch in French.

HELGOLAND.

(From The Philadelphia Record.)
The proposal to send the former Kaiser and Crown Prince to Helgoland to remain for life, the island to revert to Germany after their death, lacks merit. The island is too near Germany for their place of confinement. It was never German till England ceded it in 1890 on the ground of extremely friendly relations between England and Germany. It was for a long time a fief of the Duke of Schleswig-Holstein, and Great Britain took it from the Danes in 1807.