

BIG STORIES WRITTEN BY KIRKE L. SIMPSON

By The Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—The "unknown dead" stories from Washington have been written for the Associated Press service by Kirke L. Simpson, a member of the Washington staff since 1915.
 This information is given for publication if desired because of the many inquiries from member papers.

Two Earthquakes Are Recorded At Washington

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Produced earthquakes were recorded on the seismograph at Georgetown University this afternoon, the first being at an estimated distance of 2,500 miles and the second 1,600 miles from Washington. The first disturbance was said probably to be in South America but the location of the second was less certain. The first shock began at 1:55 p. m. and was continuing when the second began at 2:54 o'clock. Both thereafter were intermingled but the disturbance ended at 4 o'clock.

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RATIFICATION OF GERMAN-AMERICAN TREATY EXCHANGED

United States and Germany Now Finally at Peace; Friendly Relations Resumed Formally.

BERLIN, Nov. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Ratifications of the German-American peace treaty were exchanged here tonight at the foreign office between Ellis Loring Drexel, the American commissioner, and Dr. Carl Wirth, chancellor and minister of foreign affairs.
 The ceremony which means a return of friendly relations between Germany and the United States, took place at 8:10 o'clock this afternoon. It consumed less than five minutes. The exchange of ratifications was to have occurred at noon, but, owing to numerous other appointments of Chancellor Wirth, Mr. Drexel was compelled to await a summons to the foreign office.
 This came by telephone late this afternoon and the American ambassador, accompanied by Frederick R. Dohare, secretary of the American mission, motored to the foreign office, where they were received by Dr. Wirth, Dr. Hans von Haimhausen, under-secretary for foreign affairs.

Article three of the peace treaty with Germany provides that the treaty "shall take effect immediately on exchange of ratifications." Article three reads: "The present treaty shall be ratified in accordance with the constitutional forms of the high contracting parties, and shall take effect immediately upon exchange of ratifications, which shall take place as soon as possible at Berlin."

FATHER ZAHM DEAD.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Father John A. Zahm, who accompanied the late Theodore Roosevelt on his trip through the South American wilderness died today in Munich, according to a cablegram received here by his brother, Dr. Albert Zahm.

Cars Collided Upon Street.—During the rush of traffic yesterday following the conclusion of the memorial exercises at the courthouse, two automobiles, a Paige and a Ford delivery truck, collided at the corner of College and East Trade streets. No one was injured. The two cars came to the junction point at the same time and each apparently claimed the right of way, so they went together at the 45-degree angle.

What was it friend wife told you not to forget to buy today?

Benzoline
 of course, from the BLACK & WHITE Pumps.

ARMISTICE DAY CELEBRATED IN CAROLINAS

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ington would accomplish its purpose. The college community gathered to a man to pay tribute to the 21 Trinity men who were killed in the World War and to the hundreds of others who gave their services. Following the exercises, the students made a donation which will be sent to Marshall Poch, of France, to be used as a part of the gift of American colleges towards rebuilding a hall at the University of Louvain immediately afterwards the Trinity students left on a special train for Raleigh to attend the Wake Forest-Trinity football game.

PLACES OF BUSINESS CLOSED AT REIDSVILLE

Special to The Observer.
REIDSVILLE, Nov. 11.—Armistice Day was fittingly observed in Reidsville. Many places of business closed for the day. Religious services were conducted during the morning, which were attended by 1,500 persons. In the afternoon scores attended the old-fashioned riding tournament at Ruffin, in which 21 riders participated. At night the tournament hall at Guarant's Springs drew a large crowd.

JUNIOR ORDER HOLDS EXERCISES AT OXFORD

Special to The Observer.
OXFORD, Nov. 11.—The Junior Order United American Mechanics celebrated Armistice Day in Oxford by presenting the Oxford high school with a Bible and flag. Capt. James Sigall presided over the exercises, and the local order attended in a body. Hon. D. G. Brummitt presented the Bible and W. W. Barnhart, on behalf of the school, accepted it. Hon. E. W. Farham introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Hon. Frank R. McNinch, ex-mayor of Charlotte, who presented the flag, which was accepted by Supp. C. G. Credle. Mr. McNinch delivered a powerful address, which was listened to with pleasure by a large audience. In forceful words he recited the valiant services of our men in the World War, putting forth a mighty plea for the bonus bill and sympathy with the disarmed confederate.

COLONEL ALBERT COX SPEAKS AT WINSTON

WINSTON-SALEM, Nov. 11.—A general holiday, big parade by the local post of American Legion, appropriate exercises by the city school and an address by Colonel Albert Cox, of Raleigh, formerly of the 118th field artillery, were features of Armistice Day celebration in this city today.

VAST THRONGS HONOR UNKNOWN SOLDIER

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the sailors and marines the last stage of the journey.
 Ahead, the white marble of the amphitheater gleamed through the trees. It stands crowning the low slope of the hills that sweep upward from the river, and just a row was Washington. Its clustered buildings and monuments to great deeds, which have gone before, a moving picture in the autumn landscape.
 People in thousands were moving about the great circle of the am-

phitheater. The great ones to whom places had been given in the second enclosure, and the plain folk who bridged the long way just to glimpse the monument from afar, were finding their places.
 Everywhere within the pillared enclosure bright uniforms of foreign soldiers appeared. They were laden with the jeweled orders of rank and merit, worn or hoisted on American private soldiers more than any there in the majesty of his sacrifices; in the tributes his honors paid to all Americans who died.
 Down below the platform placed for the casket, in a stone vault, lay wreaths and garlands brought from England's King and guarded by British soldiers. To them came the British ambassador in the full uniform of his rank, to bid them keep these tributes from overseas safe against that hour.
 Above the platform gathered the men whose names ring through current history—Brand, Poch, Beatty, Balfour, Jacques, Diaz and others in a brilliant array of place and power. They were followed by Baron Kato from Japan, the Italian statesmen and officers, by the notable men of countries gathered here for tomorrow's conference and by some of the older figures in American life, too old to walk beside the approaching funeral train.
 Down below the circling pillars the marble boxes filled with distinguished men and women, with a cluster of shattered men from army hospitals accompanied by uniformed nurses. A surprised choir took its place to await the dead.
Cortege Approaches.
 Faint and distant the silvery strains of a military band stole into the big white bowl of the amphitheater. The slow cadence and mourning notes of a funeral march grew clearer and the roll and mutter of the muffled drums.
 At the arch where the choir waited, the hero comrades of the dead lifted his casket down, and followed by the generals and the admirals who had walked beside him from the capital, he was carried to the place of honor. Ahead moved the white-robed stingers, chanting solemnly. Carefully the casket was placed above the banked flowers and the marble band played sacred melodies until the moment the President and Mrs. Harding stepped to their place beside the casket; then the crashing, triumphant chorus of the Star Spangled Banner swept the gathering to its feet again.
 A prayer, carried out over the crowd by amplifiers so that no word was missed, took a moment or two, then the sharp, clear call of the bugle rang "attention" and for two minutes the nation stood at pause for the dead. Just at high noon. No sound broke the quiet as all stood with bowed heads. It was much as though a mighty hand had checked the world in full course.
Three Vast Audiences Hear.
 Then the band sounded and in a mighty chorus rolled up the words of "America" from the hosts within and without the great, open hall of valor.
 President Harding stepped forward beside the coffin to say for America the thing that today was nearest to the nation's heart, that sacrifices such as this nameless man, fallen in battle, might perhaps be made unnecessary down through the coming years.
 Ever as he spoke that President Harding spoke reached every person through the amplifiers and reached other thousands upon thousands in New York and San Francisco.
Harding Shows Strong Emotion.
 Mr. Harding showed strong emotion as his lips formed the last words of the address. He paused, then with raised hand and head bowed bowed on in his measured, rolling period of the Lord's prayer. The response that came back to him from the thousands he faced, from the other thousands out over the slopes beyond, perhaps, from still other thousands near the Pacific or close packed in the heart of the nation's greatest city, rose like a chant. The marble arches hummed with the solemn sound.
 Then the foreign officers who stand highest among the soldiers or sailors of their flags came one by one to the bier to place gold and jeweled emblems for the brave above the breast of the sleeper. Already as the great prayer ended, the President had set the American seal of admiration for the valiant, the nation's love for brave deeds and the courage that defies death. Upon the casket, by his side he laid the medal of honor and the distinguished service cross.
 And below, set in place with reverence, were the long lines of foreign honors. The victor's cross never before laid on the breast of any but those who had served the English flag; all the highest honors of France, Belgium, Italy, Roumania, Czechoslovakia and Poland.
Belgium's Tribute.
 To General Jacques of Belgium it remained to add his own touch to these honors. He tore from the breast of his own tunic the medal of valor pinned there by the Belgian king, tore it with a sweeping gesture and tenderly bestowed it on the unknown soldier's breast.
 Through the religious service that followed and the prayers, the swelling crowd sat motionless until it rose to join in the old, consoling words of "Beach of Ages" and the last rite for the dead was at hand. Lifted by his hero bearers from the stage, the unknown was carried in his flag-wrapped, simple coffin out to the wide sweep of the terrace.
 The bearers laid the casket down above the crypt in which had been placed a little of the soil of France. The dust his blood helped redeem from alien hands will mingle with his dust as time marches by.
The Casket Lowered.
 The simple words of the burial ritual were said by Bishop Brent, followed by the national anthem. America's England were laid in place. Then the Indians of America, Chief Plenty One came to call upon the Great Spirit of the red men with gesture and sharp intone, telling that the dead should not have died in vain, that war might end, peace be purchased by such blood as this. Upon the casket he laid the coup stick of his tribal people and the feathered war bonnet from his own head. Then the casket with its weight of honors was lowered into the crypt.
 A rocking blast of gunfire rang out from the woods.
 The glittering circles of bayonets attended a salute to the dead.
 Again the guns shouted their message of honor and farewell, again they boomed out a loyal comrades was being laid to his last rest.
 High and clear and true in the echoes of the guns, a bugle lifted the old, old notes of taps, the lullaby for the living soldier, the death his requiem. Long ago some forgotten soldier post caught its meaning clear and set it down that soldiers everywhere might know its message as they sink to rest:
 "Under the light,
 "And still,
 "Each day, cometh night,
 "And a star
 "Leadeth all, speedeth all
 "To their rest."
 The guns roared out again in the national salute.
 He was home, the unknown, to his home, among his own.

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