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COMPROMISES MAY RESCUE THE TREATY

Instrument is Regarded As Having More Than Even Chance For Life - Compromise Calls For Final Vote.

Compromise moves to rescue the peace treaty from a threatened deadlock made such progress Tuesday that its friends declared that it had more than an even chance for life. So far as it had taken definite form Tuesday night, the compromise program called for a final vote Monday and pointed toward acceptance of the reservations of the foreign relations committee without the requirement that they must be assented to affirmatively by the other power.

The way to compromise was opened by the group of mild reservation Republicans, who served notice on the Republican and Democratic leaders that they would not put up the bars that they modification of the committee reservations, but would stand against and defeat the administration's parliamentary program.

With this final announcement of how their deciding strength would be used in the closing stages of the treaty contest, the mild reservationists retired to the background. The result was that Republican Leader Lodge and Democratic Leader Hitchcock faced each other and laid all their cards on the table.

The conference between the leaders brought no final decision as to the language of a compromise ratification, but it did develop an agreement that the Democrats would have the opportunity for which they have fought to secure, a showdown vote on the question of unreserved ratification. This vote, Mr. Lodge said, would be permitted before the roll call on the committee resolution.

Another result of the conference was submission to Mr. Lodge of a group of proposed compromise reservations with a view to making enough modification in the committee program already approved by the senate majority to enable the Democrats to support the committee resolution, if ratification. On this point Senator Lodge was said to be insistent, as he desired all compromise efforts to be made before the vote came on the committee measure.

Meantime in the senate two more reservations were added to the 13 already adopted. The mild reservationists supported them as the final qualifications which they would help to write into the treaty, but the senate extended its session far into the evening, voting down numerous other proposals in an effort to clear the way before adjournment for work yesterday on the ratification resolution itself.

The two reservations adopted related to the labor provisions in part 13 of the treaty, and to voting equality in the league of nations.

The text of the Lenroot reservation follows: "The United States assumes no obligation to be bound by any election, decision, report or finding of the council or assembly in which any member of the league and is self-governing dominions, colonies or parts of empire, in the aggregate have cast more than one vote, and assumes no obligation to be bound by any decision, report or finding of the council or assembly arising out of any dispute between the United States and any member of the league if such member, or any governing dominion, colony, empire, or any part of empire united with it politically has voted."

CONTEST FOR NOMINATION BEING ACTIVELY WAGED

Congressional Candidates Busy, and Interest Stronger - Hoey and McCall Here Yesterday

Interest in the Democratic primary, which will be held next Monday for the selection of a candidate to make the race in the congressional election to be held December 16th to choose a successor from the Ninth district to Judge E. Y. Webb, is getting warm. Since the elimination convention in Charlotte last Saturday, in which Mr. Johnson D. McCall, of the Charlotte bar, was chosen as Mecklenburg's candidate, there are only two Democratic candidates in the race - Mr. McCall and Mr. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby.

Yesterday both Mr. Hoey and Mr. McCall were in Morganton, the latter accompanied by Mayor Frank R. McNinch, of Charlotte.

While the contest next Monday promises to be sharply contested, a survey of the local situation would indicate that Mr. Hoey, who is better known and has many friends here, is very probably in the lead.

The News-Herald was favored last Friday with a call from our good friend, Mr. Jackie Miller, of Route 5. Mr. Miller is getting up in years but his mind is as active as that of a young man and his interest in current events as keen as ever. He was accompanied by his neighbor, Mr. W. J. Mull.

There was a gathering of friends and relatives Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hawkins, Route 4, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hawkins, of Toppish, Wash., who are here on a visit of several months.

PEOPLE NOT TO BE DENIED COAL TO USE

Garfield Demands That Speedy Action Be Taken in the Coal Mine Tie - Up.

Speaking with the authority of President Wilson's cabinet, Fuel Administrator Garfield told representatives of the bituminous coal operators and miners in Washington yesterday that "the people of the United States need, must have and will have coal, and as long as the government stands they will not be prevented from getting it by anything the operators or miners may do."

"I represent the people of the United States in a different sense from the secretary of labor," Dr. Garfield said. "It is part of Mr. Wilson's function to effect conciliation. It is my sole function to exercise those powers conferred on the fuel administrator to see that an adequate supply of coal is furnished the people of the United States, and to see that in times of stress, such as we are still unhappily in the midst of, the prices asked and received for coal are not excessive."

"The people of the United States are willing to pay sufficient to maintain American standards, but the question is, what are American standards? The people want the operators to have a just return, but what is a just return?"

"We all realize now that in the great coal industry the public is an important partner," he said. "At one time the operators and mine workers, like farmers considered themselves peculiarly independent. But the public has a paramount interest."

"The people of the United States will not consent to pay an excessive price for coal. We are all agreed to that, but the question now is, 'What is an excessive price?' Nor will the public agree to go without this commodity."

"The people of the United States need, must have and will have coal, and they will not be prevented by anything the operators and miners may do, unless the government is dissolved into a chaotic condition."

TEACHERS' MEETING SATURDAY

County Superintendent T. L. Sigmon has called a meeting of the county teachers here Saturday. Matters of importance will be discussed and in letters mailed this week Mr. Sigmon urges all the teachers to be present. It is probable that Mr. R. F. Beasley, State Superintendent of Public Welfare, will be here that day and if so will make a short talk to the teachers and any others who are interested in welfare work.

MEXICO IS PLACING ORDERS FOR ARMS

Large Orders Placed With Belgium and Spain - Government Trying to Prevent.

An Associated Press dispatch from Washington states that large orders for arms and ammunition, placed by Mexico in Belgium and Spain, in preparation for the possibility of American intervention, came to light Thursday, when the State department let it be known that the government had taken steps to prevent their shipment.

The charge d'affairs of the United States embassy in Brussels has protested, under instruction, that shipment of the munitions would be in violation of the international arms convention. As Spain is not party to the agreement which was designed to aid in keeping the peace of the world during the after-the-war transition period no such direct action is probable at Madrid.

The order in Belgium was placed with the Fabrique National Arms at Liege, probably under the direction of Candido Aguilar, Mexican minister of foreign affairs and President Carranza's son-in-law, who went to Europe recently after stopping here and placing a wreath on George Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon.

The orders in Spain, which included rifles, millions of rounds of ammunition and a large number of machine guns, were negotiated through the Mexican minister there, Elesco Arredondo, former ambassador to the United States and President Carranza's nephew.

The United States has been denying shipments of arms and ammunition into Mexico for many months for the reason that they generally fell into the hands of bandits and often were used against Americans. Soon after the end of the war the Mexican government asked for the release of munitions bought in this country in 1917, but it was refused.

Such information as has now come into the hands of the government shows that Mexico already was turning to European manufacturers for her supply and has since placed enormous orders.

There will be a Thanksgiving service at Oak Hill church November 27, at 11 a. m. An offering will be taken for the children's home. On the 29th and 30th, the first quarterly meeting for Table Rock circuit will be held at Oak Hill church.

This seems to have been a most favorable year for sweet potatoes. Mr. C. A. Harbison brought us two white yams last week, one weighing 8 pounds and the other 6. Town Manager Will Patton was displaying one of his raisings, of the Nancy Hall variety, that weighed 4 pounds.

NEGLECTED ORPHANS



THE RAILROAD BILL IS THROUGH THE HOUSE

Measure Passes Providing That Railroads Go Back to Private Ownership.

The railroad bill providing for private ownership and operation of railroads under broad Federal supervision has passed the House, 203 to 159. The measure, says a Washington dispatch, goes to the Senate, but it will not be taken up there until the regular session in December.

A majority of the Democratic members opposed the bill after their failure to eliminate the provision for government guarantee of revenues of the carriers for the first six months of renewed private operation.

MRS. W. M. BAGBY DEAD

Friends here have been pained to learn of the death of Mrs. W. M. Bagby, which occurred Friday morning the 14th at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Swift, in Greensboro.

Mrs. Bagby, who had been visiting in the Swift home for a period of three weeks, became ill during Thursday night. Medical aid was summoned, but she was unable to withstand the attack, which was attributed to heart trouble, and passed away early Friday morning. She was 66 years old.

The remains were taken to Montezuma, where the funeral was held Sunday the 15th.

The Bagby family once lived in Morganton, Mr. Bagby being pastor of the Methodist church here. For several years they have been living at Montezuma. Mrs. Bagby is remembered as a quiet, refined woman, devoted to her family and church. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

R. A. Clark and wife to John I. Clark, 20 acres in Morganton township.

W. P. Corpening, W. A. Kincaid, M. M. Bost, commissioners for the estate of W. C. Henderson, to Zalia Henderson, Frances Amelia Henderson, Mrs. Willie C. McDowell, Lawson Pinkney Henderson, James Augustus Henderson, Hannie Glenn Edmondson, Charles C. Henderson and Martha Robinson Michaux, the Henderson plantation on Upper creek.

C. C. Moore to Mrs. Emma Berry and children, 10 acres near Rutherford College.

G. W. Henry and wife to Mrs. Emma Berry and children, house and lot at Rutherford College.

James A. Harper to Mrs. Emma Berry and children, 6 acres at Rutherford College.

B. F. Davis to United States of America, 46 acres in Upper Creek township.

G. F. Brittain to D. A. Johnson, 10 1/2 acres in Morganton township.

Joel Clark to John Ivey Clark, 40 acres in Morganton township.

Dr. John McCampbell to Jefferson Nelson and sister, Margaret A. Nelson, house and lot in Morganton.

J. H. Coffey to W. E. Hauss, 4 acres at Rutherford College.

Peter Piccus to Stephen C. Guigou, house and lot at Valdese.

J. H. Mullis and wife to Everett Clontz, lot in Morganton.

A. C. Avery and wife to Realty Loan & Guaranty Co., 15 acres in Morganton township.

Mrs. Ella Abeel to trustees of Abeel's chapel, lot on which the church stands.

A. L. Brittain to M. D. Brittain, 13 acres in Morganton township.

Jamie Perrou to Peter E. Mounett, lot at Valdese.

Arthur Crump to S. D. Franklin, 14 acres in Jonas Ridge township.

Buy more War Savings Stamps.

LOCAL BRIEFS IN AND AROUND TOWN

Short Items of Local and Personal Interest Gathered During the Week.

The ladies of the Methodist church will have a fancy work sale and oyster and salad supper in the ladies' parlor of the church on December 4th. Mr. L. S. Spurling, who teaches at the North Carolina School for the Deaf, was called to Shelby Tuesday on account of the illness of his father.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Craven of Greensboro a daughter, Mary Robinson. Mrs. Craven was formerly Miss Henry Peeler, of Rutherford College.

Mr. Ernest Walker, who recently underwent at Grace Hospital an operation for appendicitis, has been able to return to his home and to get out on the street.

Mr. J. Homer Oulla, representing the Miller Saw-Trimmer Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., is here for several days to erect a feeder on one of the job presses of The News-Herald.

Mr. Billy Walton spent several days last week in Asheville, where he had an operation to relieve an eye trouble. He was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. W. E. Walton.

Pastors of all churches and superintendents of all Sunday schools are requested to direct attention to the Thanksgiving offering at their services on Sunday, November 23rd.

Mrs. I. R. Keller, of Route 1, has a fine second crop of Irish potatoes, grown since July. She brought several specimens to The News-Herald the other day that were as fine potatoes as we have ever seen.

Members of Burkemont Council, No. 44, Jr. O. U. A. M., will attend a special Thanksgiving service at the Presbyterian church November 30th at 7:30 p. m. All members are requested to meet at the hall at 7 o'clock.

Rev. E. deF. Heald, formerly Episcopal rector in Hickory, has sold his home in that place and it is understood that Mr. Heald and his mother will come to Morganton for several months before making definite plans. They will stay with Mrs. M. A. Gordon.

Rev. James L. Shinn, who for ten or twelve years in the 80's and 90's preached at almost every Baptist church in the Catawba River association, and who is now located at Madison, will preach at Mt. Home church, four miles south of Morganton, on November 30th at 11 o'clock and at East Morganton at 7 o'clock that night. Everybody is invited to these services.

DEATH AT DREXEL OF MRS JACOB ABEEL

Mrs. Jacob Abeel died Sunday night at her home in Drexel after an illness of several months. About two months ago she underwent an operation and had never been able to regain her strength.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at Enon, conducted by Rev. W. L. Barrs.

Mrs. Abeel, who was 60-odd years of age, is survived by her husband and the following children, Messrs. Tom, John, Wade and Ernest Abeel, of Drexel; Dan Abeel, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. John Gross and Miss Rosa Abeel, of Drexel, and Mrs. J. C. Laughridge, of Mount Airy. Mr. and Mrs. Laughridge arrived Monday night from Mount Airy to attend the funeral.

Mrs. Abeel was a good woman, devoted to her church and family, to whom her passing is a sore bereavement.

LOUISIANA SUGAR MEN FIX PRICE AT 17 CENTS

A dispatch from New Orleans says that the price for this season's yellow clarified sugar was fixed at 17 cents a pound at a meeting there last week of Louisiana planters, the price subject to the approval of Attorney General Palmer. An additional cent a pound for choice plantation granulated was set and the scale of prices arranged.

The sugar shortage which has been acute since the strike of the longshoremen is beginning to break. The release of 500 tons, or 1,000,000 pounds of the British royal commission's huge supply held up in storage there because of the strike, has begun. Already one refinery had begun the distribution of 500 barrels a day for a period of five days, the 2,500 barrels being taken as a loan placed later.

A shipment of 5,627 bags of sugar from Honduras reached there on the steamship Tegucigalpa, and according to steamship agents, will be unloaded. The first large shipment of Louisiana sugar arrived from Plaquemine. It consisted of 250 barrels and will be unloaded, it was announced.

CHINA PROHIBITS CIGARETTES

The following circular has been telegraphed all over China according to instructions by the Ministry of the Interior: "It has been noticed that almost everybody in the country has indulged in the use of cigars or cigarettes, which will become a worse curse to the nation than opium in former days, unless some restrictions are imposed. It is hereby decided that before taking up any measure for the total prohibition of its use, the following restrictions shall be imposed: 1. No boy or girl under 18 years of age shall be allowed to smoke cigars or cigarettes. 2. Any military or naval man using it shall be punished. 3. The use of cigars and cigarettes in all government schools and colleges shall be strictly prohibited."

DR. McCAMPBELL SELLS HOME

Dr. and Mrs. John McCampbell have sold their pretty home on King street to Mr. Jeff L. Nelson, of Asheville. Mr. Nelson, who is a Masonic lecturer, has spent some time recently in Morganton and was so impressed with the town that he decided to locate here permanently. His sister, Miss Margaret Nelson, lives with him. They expect to move to Morganton next week.

BEARS ON SHORTOFF

Mr. J. P. Parks, of Fonta Flora, is spending the week with relatives here. Mr. Parks reports that last week his son, Mr. J. J. Parks, killed a big bear on Shortoff mountain. It is said that the hunters at one time on the trip herded four bears.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS FROM OVER BURKE

Items of Interest Gathered From Different Sections of the County By News-Herald Correspondents

VALDESE

Dr. J. M. Clark, of Statesville, held revival services in the Waldensian Presbyterian church from Monday to Friday night. He met the young people on Saturday afternoon and organized a Christian Endeavor society. The church has been greatly benefited by the services and all hope he will return often.

Dr. J. M. Clark was a visitor at Rutherford College on Friday the 14th, where he spoke to the students.

Rev. John Pons has announced a new departure in the evening services. Beginning with Sunday the 18th, the evening services will be held in English on the first and third Sundays of each month. The church services are held at 7:30. The Christian Endeavor services at 6:30. Visitors are welcomed at both services.

The band boys are showing unusual interest in the work. The boys speak very highly of Mr. Queen, their leader, and wish they could all play as well as he.

The Waldensian Bakery is adding machinery to heir already well equipped plant.

The students of Rutherford College have shown a very loyal spirit in digging the holes for the electric line that is to be built from Valdese to the college for the purpose of obtaining lights and power. The college needs the line. This will be a good addition to the college plant.

Cline & Baker are adding to their moving picture establishment. They have good shows Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Garrou are moving to Valdese. Their friends are delighted to see them make their home here. Mr. Garrou is secretary and treasurer of the Waldensian Hosiery Mills.

Miss Esther Tron, of White Pine, Tenn., formerly of Valdese, spent the week in Valdese. She came especially to help with the music in connection with the meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Garrou and family made a quick trip to Glen Alpine Monday on business.

Contracts for ten more houses have been let. This means prosperity for Valdese.

Misses Ila and Lena Oxentine, of Asheville, were visiting their friends and relatives this week, the Pons family.

The Lovelady township road crew are working on the McCallard bridge and road east of the creek.

The faculty of the Valdese school have organized a literary society in their school with the following officers: President, Miss E. Ramsey; vice president, Miss Winnie Simpson; treasurer, Mrs. Hennessie; general director, Prof. Lefever. The meetings are held on Friday afternoon. The exercises consist of debates, recitations, songs, etc. The first subject debated was, "Resolved, That fire has been more destructive than water. The student judges gave the decision to the negative. The school enrollment for the week was 187.

CONNELLY SPRINGS

The public school at Connelly Springs opened Monday morning. Miss Era Cline, of Catawba county, is teaching.

Rev. A. W. Setzer of Maiden, filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday morning. He preached an interesting sermon taken from Ephesians, 4th chapter, "Fitness for the Work of the Kingdom."

Miss Mamie Hudson, who has been holding a position as telegraph operator (Continued on fourth page)

MUST THEY PROCEED MINUS UNITED STATES?

Great Britain and France Consider the Status of the League of Nations.

Great Britain and France are considering whether they are not compelled to carry out the German peace treaty and operate the league of nations independently of the United States, pending the decision of the American government or its course. It is said that the opinion strongly prevails in London that Great Britain will not accept any reservations made by the United States Senate which would necessitate the negotiation of a new treaty, as the British government, it is declared, has every present intention of abiding by the decision of the Paris conference.

The belief still exists that the American government will ultimately take its place with the allies. Meanwhile, there appears to be a possibility that Great Britain and the others will proceed without the United States.

An important meeting of the Odd Fellows will be held tonight at Fraternity Hall, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

For several weeks people living on West Union street had been disturbed from time to time by the gruesome noises made by some wild animal. Some said it sounded like a wild cat, others were sure it was a panther. The mystery was solved the other night when a crowd of boys killed a large owl.