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Editor of Evening Post At- Party of 40 or 50 Men Take tacks Administration for Military Policy at Anti-Preparedness Committee Meeting.

"MAKE UNITED STATES SURPASS GERMANY

istration for Its Proposal to "Monopolize the Industries for War."

> Gazette-News Bureau The Riggs Building Washington, Jan. 21.

At a mass meeting held here last night under the auspices of the antipreparedness committee, Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the New York Evening Post, severely attacked the administration for "its head long surrender to the forces of militarism." The speaker asserted that the plans president, if carried out, would make the United States surpass even Germany as the most miliaristic and the most heavily armed nation in the world,"

Villard, "whose dread last year was of 'armed camps' in America, now proposes not only the greatest naval ossible exception, but also asks for 1918 we should have actually in sertien, exclusive of citizens and students northward, but nothing more was This is 10,000 more than heard from them for some time. the entire German regular army at the outbreak of the war that army study which was universally denounced as which was universally denounced as the greatest menace to freedom the world has ever seen. This vast milliary structure, involving the immediate commissioning of probably 14,000 additional officers, calls also for the annual enlistment of no less than 290,000 Americans in the militia, the army, the navy, the marine corps and the proposed continental army. It this amazing plan goes through no less than 200,000 men will be hereafter permanently removed from our structure. At about 10 o'clock last night should be red about 10 o'clo after permanently removed from our industrial and economic life at the very moment when we shall need every able-hodied man to the cells. They were quickly forth-

the administration's espousal of "pre- the wires had been cut,

paredness." "in this revolutionary program involving fully two billions of dollars, to be carried out after careful stud; and deliberation?" demanded the speaker, "Is it to be done coolly, after the excitement of war is over; is it to be done after the American people have been allowed to express themselves upon it after a full and free discussion of the merits of problem? No, inded, it is to be done Injured Men Give Evidence to before election!

What business man would dream of enlarging his plant and taking on new risks when by waiting a single year a number of unknown factors could be solved? I venture to say that one would who is not a candidate

we have lavished two hundred million dollars, are without worth and eyes and mouths visible through slits
can be shot to pieces by guns on in the bandages, were in a ward at ships lined up off the coast out of the Cumberland Street hospital.

The telegram came from the source that first reported the massacre of the Cumberland Street hospital.

Legisland Street hospital. range. On the other side there are experts who say that our navy is bet-ier than that of Germany's while still among them, and each patient assur-City. others say that it is far inferior. ed the commander that he did not The men are suffering from burns, the capture of Villa was based on unstance, command, whiter-based command, whiter-based commanding the skatte fleet—have all testified before a committing the control of the steep of congress the durn may in second only to that of England. Do we based on the craft after the explosion as all we rendered insension and their recital provided no inspired on the craft after the explosion of the control of the steep of the control of the steep of the three was the strength of the control of the strength of th navy—Fletcher, commanding our rreat Atlantic fleet, Badger, his pre-secessor in that command. Winter-

Quintet of Negroes From Worth County, Ga., Jail and Hang Them to Tree.

HELD IN CONNECTION WITH SHERIFF'S MURDER

Also Criticises Wilson Admin- Mob Gained Entrance to Jail By Pretending to Have Prisoner to Incarcerate-Plans Well Laid.

> at Sylvester last night, carried them their fares will be refunded. in automobiles to Lee county and hanged them all to the same limb of a tree close by the side of the road leading to Starkville. The negroes shoppers. were being held in the Worth county Sheriff Moreland of Lee county, who met his death at the hands of negroes in Worth county during the Christmas holidays.

Starkville is a hamlet three miles "This president of ours," said Mr. from Leesburg, the county seat of Lee county.

The cutting of all the wires leading to the north from Sylvester was program ever planned in a single year included in the plans of the party. For since Christendom began, with one that reason the fate of the five negroes was not definitely known until military forces of such size that by today, hours after they had been affout and ashore, during the lynched. They had been taken quicksummer months, no less than 740,000 ly to the automobiles and started

The bodies of the victims, perfor-ated with bullets, were cold when At about 10 o'clock last night

the demands of the world's market, of which the war seems to have put us in dominating control."

The speaker also rapped the administration for its recent proposal to "mobilize the indpustries" for war. "Apparently everything is to be shaped as in Germany," said the speaker, "so as to launch the most perfect thunderbolts against an ene-

perfect thunderbolts against an ene-to make use of the telephone to ports that Francisco Villa, the outmy! What a sea change? What a sea head the party off, but it was soon lawed Mexican military chief had there to say, out of court, than that

E-2 SURVIVORS DECLARE

Board Investigating the Recent Explosion.

for the press and so-called experts, court of inquiry yesterday, and all have suddenly arisen to assure us that were emphatic in their declarations have suddenly arisen to assure us that our navy is practically worthless and of the explosion. The men, swathed that our coast defenses, upon which that our coast defenses, upon which we have lavished two hundred mil-

Lieutenant Charles M. Cooke, com-

consider him to blame.

EVERYTHING READY FOR BIG CO-OPFPATITE

News starts tomorrow morning.

city's already well-known reputation so much time will be saved. days of fine value-giving sales.

There is one feature of this move- handed out. ties concerning the details of the plan, negroes from the Worth county jail tomorrow and end with the following Asheville is the best place to trade, Saturday, inclusive—a period when Where to Get Bargains,

ly aranged for the convenience of residing outside of Asheville. It will have their stores tastefully decorated tude of this sale and what it will jail in connection with the killing of in honor of the event, and moneysaving bargains which cannot fail to please and satisfy have been listed.

Ask For Refund Slips. The greater part of today was spent in getting everything in readiness

The big Co-operative Fare-Refund-|for the opening day, ing Sale inaugurated by The Gazette- Slips were distributed to each of the stores taking part in the sale and Over forty leading business houses clerks were instructed in their use. of this city have united in one splen- in this connection it is urgently redid effort to attract more trade to quested that shoppers call for these Asheville and by so doing add to the slips on entering any store; by doing

as the trading center for residents of The carfare schedules have been the smaller cities, towns and villages thoroughly worked out and carefully and prosperous farming communities studied by those who will have charge within a radius of 30 or 40 miles, of the refunding of farcs and just as These merchants will throw open their soon as a refund slip is presented to doors tomorrow morning for seven the clerk in charge at The Gazette-News office the cash fare will be

nent that is extremely attractive to Refund week is a big advertisement

Here is a list of the stores where Asheville merchants are completely ready with ample stocks of honest, dependable merchandise, convenients and it to your relatives and friends send it to your relatives and friends Many of the merchants give them some idea of the magni-

> McGraw Dry Goods Co. M. V. Moore and Co. Lowenbein-Rutenberg. Chas, E. Henderson

Georgia Senator Makes Vigor-

ous Speech on British Inter-Globe Sample Co. Hills Market.

J. L. Smathers and Sons. I. X. L. Dept. Store. Asheville Paint and Glass Co. Dunham's Music House. Tengue and Oates. H. L. Finkelstein Loan Office. Williams-Huffman Music Co. Smith-Bruns Clothing Co. Brown Hardware Co. Gem Clothing Co. Susquehanna Furniture Co. Asheville Furniture Co. Falk's Music House, Allison Drug Store. The Call Co. Asheville Package Co. Carolina Paint & Varnish Co. J. M. Hearn & Co.

J. M. McCapless. The Fair. Carolina Paint and Varnish Co. Piedmont Electric Co. H. Law. Smith's Drug Store. Hood's Millinery. Crystal Cafe System.

The Battery Park Bank. success than is already assured and lawless treatment of the American at the same time reap a portion of the harvest, call up The Gazette-News office and a stream of the action of the allies office and a representative will call in declaring cotton contraband, Senand explain the proposition in detail ator Smith asserted that cotton had and arrange for your co-operation.

ference With Neutral Commerce. PLEADS FOR ACTION TO PROTECT U.S. INTERESTS

Denounces Lawless Treatment Hope That Freight Rates Can of American Cotton Trade-Denies U. S. Ever Made Cotton Contraband.

Washington, Jan. 21.-Great Brl tain's interference with neutral trade was the subject of a vigorous speech yesterday by Senator Smith of Geor gia, who pleaded for action to prevent England from advancing her own trade interests at the expense of the United States while attempting to destroy Germany commercially.

Senator Smith declared that the rights of citizens of the United States Should any merchant who is not and other neutrals were being reck-herein listed wish to unite with these lessly disregarded and emphasized in making this sale a still greater particularly what he denounced as the

not been used or needed by Germany or her allies in the manufacture of war munitions for over eight months.

Senator Smith quoted from a state-ment prepared for him by Howard W. now in Washington, after trip to Germany, who reported that he ad learned through personal investigation that the German chemists had developed a process by which they could use wood pulp as a cheaper and more effective substitute than cotton

n the manufacture of explosives.

The senator reviewed the whole history of British interference with neutral trade and the diplomatic exchanges on the subject. He described it as silly and untrue that the United States had made cotton contraband during the war of the states, declaring that only once before in history had cotton been declared contraband, and then it was in the Russo-Japanese war by Russia, which promptly gave way in the face of a protest by Great Britain that such action was illegal. British authorities also were quoted to prove that under international law

od products are subject to seizure only when they are consigned to armed forces of the enemy. From Senator John Sharp Wiliams,

Revenue Bill Will Be Complet- the Georgia senator's utterances drew a stirring reply, with a declaration he terfere in such cases and replied to was not willing to go to war for mere dollars nor to have the "people of Dixie" placed in atitude of holding property on a plane with human life. H. Johnson, Cumberland county man Senator Williams said until the issue of murdered American women and lating the prohibition laws by the sale children on the high seas was settled, of smaller quantities of wine than alhe would not mag the president of the Washington, Jan. 21.—Democratic United States about property nor at-

For several hours the senate was discussion reached a climax when In addition to agreeing on plans Senator Smith, indignant at the inti-

"Because Germany has been guilty high seas to Great Britain?"

Senator Smith declared that con-Attention was called to the slow gress should act because the presiindicted by a federal grand jury at gress in disposing of important busi- notes. He said that he did not want recently. Fort Smith at the same time the Cas- ness and stress was laid on the desir- to go to war but insisted that the par, the late Knox Booth and a long ability of clearing up the legislative United States should have the nerve

then to bring Mr. McCoy to trial in tee is advised by the naval and military committees as to the amount of currs while warring for life, liberty Gardner when the little life left in Disagreegents. . . money that will be required to carin connection with McCoy's re-arry out the defense program. ment to protest firmly against viola- without a scratch.

Sam Christy and Mrs. Warren Convicted of Murder of Wo-

man's Husband to Go to Chair on March 3.

ONE FORMAL MOVE TO SAVE WOMAN'S LIFE

Be Satisfactorily Adjusted Encouraged by Harrison Letter to Governor.

(By W. T. Bost).

Raleigh, Jan. 21.-Ida Ball Warren and Samuel Putnam Christy will go to the electric chair March 3 if Governor Craig's order yesterday is not changed, The governor acted shortly upon re-

ceipt of the certificate from the Supreme court which carried the unanimous opinion of that body that the two appeals had no merit. The contention of the defense that Mrs. Warren actually took no part in the murder of her husband, even though she admitted having tried to poison him, and that she had no part in the conspiracy to kill, brought from Chief Justice Clark the opinion that she was the Lady Macbeth of the tragedy.

Similarly the defense of Christy that he had made no confession except under duress and that barring this tainted testimony there was no fur-ther fact against him, fell down. The woman and the man had about the most desperate case carried to the court in a decade. Of course nobody hoped for any clemency from the courts. Delay alone could give the

respite from certain death,
Governor Craig has never discussed the Warren-Christy case and has no back-tracking to do whatever the few intervening weeks will show. Not the slightest sympathy for the woman has been found here except that attending every capital case. The people generally think more kindly of Christy, the man, than they do of

the woman. Only one move in Mrs. direction has been found. That came from Chicago last week when professional anti-capital punishment advocates called upon the chamber of commerce to intercede for Mrs. Warren. The Raleigh body does not in-

Johnson Respited. Governor Craig gave a respite to J.

lowed by the 1908 act. Judge Oliver Allen tried this case and Governor Craig makes a full statement of his reasons for delaying

Hope For Better Rates. Governor Craig has received from Southern railway a letter which en-courages the chief executive to hope

President Fairfax Harrison that the freight rates from North Carolina to southern markets can be satisfactorily adjusted by conference with the officers of the railroads, Mr. Harrison expresses views in his

letter which the governor interprets as a desire to make such rates as will eneral Cavaszos.

Mexican Consul Andreas Garcia, alleged attempts to defraud the inter
McAdoo's plan for raising revenue right of perpetual robbery on the pected that in the event of such a conference Governor Craig will be admitted to it to present the view of North Carolina. He has had two very The Asheville man was one of those progress that is being made in con- dent could do no more than write important interviews on the subject

Max Gardner Walking. Col. A. H. Boyden of Salisbury here

attending the meeting of the directors of the Soldiers' Home, brings the news that Senator O. Max Gardner, one of the worst injured of the luckless passengers on the football special was wrecked in Salisbury night before Thanksgiving, is able to be up and now walks with crutches, Colonel Boyden is one of the hap-

plest of the senator's friends. The congress of the United States backed night with the long consnement, Senby an army of "90,000 soldiers and ator Gardner's leg and Jaw were the fourth navy in the world." He broken and his back badly hurt, but thought it sufficient for this govern- he will go home, Colonel Boyden says,

The Racket Store. Green Bros Ottis Green Hardware Co. Brown Book Co. Pack Square Book Co. Asheville Power and Light Co, Coopers, "On the Square."

the men and women from out of town for Asheville and for this reason Ashewho have personal friends in Asheville merchants have joined heartily in promoting it. While it may be said that in one way no merchant expects friends and also do their trading. Many of the merchants have informed The Greatte Newstate that in one way no merchant expects to read a rich harvest in this sale everyone of them expects to attract ed The Gazette-News that they have new customers who, by reason of courreceived inquiries from quite a num- teous treatment and honest values at ber of people in such towns as Swan- low prices, will become regular patnanoa, Canton and other communi- rons. In short, these merchants are dealing in futures; by making satis Albany, Ga., Jan. 21.—Forty or thus showing their interest and signified customers they expect to build up fifty men acting with precision indicative of carefully laid plans took five ville during the week which will begin lish firmly in the minds of people that

Bon Marche.

C. M'COY AGAIN

Carranza Authorities Refute Reports That Outlawed Rebel Chief Was Taken by Government Troops.

REPORTS WERE GIVEN CREDENCE GENERALLY

a Number of Bandits Concerned in Massacre Had Been Captured.

huahua City. to be reliable sources and were given duct the government's case at the tees. credence generally.

One report said that Francisco Villa has been captured at macienda San General Cavaszos.

ture was effected by Maximo Mar- moonshine cases, quez, who recently also captured General Jose Rodriguez, one of Villa's generals.

was last reported as bringing prison-

Jacksonville Federal Grand Jury Charges Him With Conspiracy Connection.

IS FLORIDA CASE.

United States officers in Asheville this morning confined the rumor that MEANS OF RAISING Thomas C. McCoy was arrested here about ten days ago on a warrant returned by a Jacksonville, Fla., federal grand jury charging McCoy with il-One Message Also Stated That licit distillery transactions carried on in that city. Mr. McCoy immediately gave gond in the sum of \$2,500 for his appearance at a hearing to be held here before Commissioner Theodore D. Shelton on Tuesday afternoon, Jannary 25.

Thomas Settle, counsel for the defendant, when asked for a statement El Paso, Jan. 21.—Persistent reporter, stated that he had nothing fur-The reports came to the border in is understood that United States Atthe proceedings against his client. It hearing on next Tuesday.

The Second Hearing.

before a United States Commissioner confirmed the capture of General nal revenue department of thousands were contemplated. Villa. His advices stated that the cap- of dollars in the famous so-called

"We do not actually know what we possess in the way of military and possess in the way of military and armaments. A horde of writers for the possess to the possess to the possess of the fatal explosion on the submater of the fatal explosion of the fatal explosion on the submater of the fatal explosion of

ers from Guerrero to Chihuahua rest on a conspiracy indictment it is interesting to note that the Arkansas meet next week. Carranga Consul Garcia, explained papers have contained recently some that his confirmation of the report of sensational accounts of disagreements The men are suffering from burns, the capture of Villa was based on un- smong the federal officials there who

Democratic Leaders Preparing to Accelerate Legislative Work, Especially in Important Business.

REVENUES DISCUSSED

ed as Soon as Requirements for Preparedness Program Are Made Known.

leaders in congress are preparing to tempt to force settlefent for montary speed up the consideration of the leg- loss of propery from war-maddened change for the president!"

He ridiculed the "precipitancy" of the acceptance that the line was out ff been captured were denied early to the defense is ready and that he had the day by Carranza authorities at Chino apprehensions over the outcome of cided upon, at the dinner given by ceased, Secretary McAdoo to democratic leaders including Speaker Clark and held in rapt attention by the frankprivate news from what was believed torney William C. Hammer will con- the chairmen of important commit- ness and vigor of the speakers. The

for occelerating the legislative work, cialism over human life, dramatically Tuesday's hearin; will be the second ways and means were discussed for inquired of Senator Williams: Geronimo by Carranza forces under time that Mr. McCoy has appeared raising revenue. It was said, however.

Messages from Chihuahua City have McCoy removed to Fort Smith had adjourned to over Monday to per- made effective within thirty days uncourt of inquiry yesterday, and all Messages from Chihuanua City for trial but the action brought before mit continued meetings of committees Great Britain yielded. The senate finance committee will

CUSTOMS REVENUE FELL