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SIGNING OF TREATY NOW FIXED FOR TODAY

New German Premier Protests Against Signing at All in Strong Language.

WANTS ATTACK TO RECOIL ONE DAY AGAINST ALLIES

German Plenipotentiaries Due To Arrive at Versailles Friday Morning, Headed by Herr Mueller, Member of Assembly Who Recently Declared in Speech That The Kaiser Was Not Wanted Back in Germany and Should Be in "The Pathological Ward."

Friday afternoon probably will witness at Versailles the signing by Germany of the peace treaty of the Allied and Associated Powers.

The German plenipotentiaries, armed with authority to affix their signatures to the document which is, in a measure, to rehabilitate Germany in the eyes of the greater part of the world as no longer an enemy power, are due to arrive in Versailles Friday morning.

Herr Mueller, foreign minister in the new cabinet of Herr Bauer, is expected to be the chief German plenipotentiary. Dr. Daniel von Heimhausen, who was to have signed the treaty for Germany, having resigned from the peace delegation, not desiring to have the onus of sealing the compact fall on his shoulders.

From the new premier in Germany comes to express indignation over Germany being compelled to meet the Allied terms. In his latest address before the National Assembly at Weimar, Bauer is quoted as having said:

"Let us sign, but it is our hope that to the last breath this attempt against our honor may one day recoil against its authors."

The new Italian delegation to the peace conference, made necessary by the resignation of the cabinet of Signor Orlando, also is expected to reach Versailles Friday. It will be headed by Signor Tittoni, foreign minister. Germans May Have to Pay for Ships Sunk.

The sinking of the German fleet in the Scapa-Flow by the skeleton crews of Germans aboard them, is to be investigated by order of the Council of Three, composed of Premiers Clemenceau, David Lloyd George and President Wilson. The idea of the investigation is to ascertain if the armistice terms were violated by the Germans. The French minister of marine says France will require complete reparation from Germany.

Austrian Treaty.

The council has resumed its work on the provisions of the Austrian treaty which were not included in that part of the document recently handed the Austrian delegation at St. Germain. It is expected that the treaty now will be speedily concluded.

The Turkish delegation has sent to the council of ten a detailed memorandum of the requests recently made orally in behalf of Turkey. Turkey's willingness to recognize the independence of Armenia and a suggestion to grant a sort of autonomous government to Palestine and Arabia under Turkish governors were made known in the memorandum.

Belgians to Get First German Money.

Belgium is to have priority in reparations to be paid by Germany to the extent of 2,500,000,000 francs. Formal approval has been given this decision.

2 O'clock P. M. Friday, the Hour Set.

Paris, June 24.—The German delegation which will sign the peace treaty will arrive at Versailles Friday morning, the French foreign office has been informed. It is thought probable in French circles that the signing of the treaty will take place at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

New Italian Delegation.

Paris, June 24.—The Italian delegation said today that it had been informed that a new delegation to the peace conference will arrive in Paris Friday. It will consist of Foreign Minister Tittoni, Senator Guglielmo, Marconi and Senator Vittorio Scialoja. It is not known if others will be added to the delegation, but it is believed likely that Signors Crespi and Ferraris, who are in Paris, will complete the mission.

FRENCH TIGER TO RETIRE SOON FROM PREMIERSHIP

Paris, June 24.—Premier Clemenceau has expressed his intention to resign from office as soon as the treaty is promulgated, feeling that he has accomplished the task for which he assumed the premiership, says Marcel Hutin, in the Echo de Paris. It is expected that Parliament would ratify the treaty late in July.

son and Premier Lloyd George, visited the palace at Versailles this afternoon to inspect the arrangements for the ceremony of signing the peace treaty. France has decided to require complete reparation from Germany for the sinking of the German warships at Scapa Flow. This announcement was made by M. Leygues, minister of marine, to the naval committee of the chamber of deputies this afternoon. He declared that the act of the Germans violated both the armistice and the peace treaty.

AMERICAN COMMANDER IN THE BRITISH CAPITAL.

London, June 24.—General Pershing arrived in London today. He was met at Dover by Maj. Gen. John Biddle, the American commander in England, and came to London by automobile. The general will remain in London tonight and tomorrow morning will go to Oxford to receive the degree of Doctor of Civil Laws from Oxford University.

BOUND OVER UNDER \$2,000 BOND.

James R. Rich was given a hearing before Squire T. W. Stokes in Louisburg Wednesday under a charge of abandonment. Rich waived examination and was placed under a \$2,000.00 justified bond for his appearance at the October criminal court.

From the information we received Rich, who married a Miss Johnson, of Cedar Rock township, left home some time the past fall without leaving any information of his whereabouts or the necessary support for his wife. Since that time officers have been on the look out for him and the Governor offered \$50.00 reward on the part of the State and the family offered another \$50.00, making a total reward of \$100. The past week Constable P. E. Dean was in Goldsboro and after learning that Rich was there went to the Sheriff to cause his arrest. In the meantime a friend of Rich made him wise and he left town at once. A trace was put in effect for him and he was located in Hartsville, S. C., where Deputy Sheriff Weddington, of Wayne County went for him and brought him to Louisburg and delivered him to Sheriff H. A. Kearney on Tuesday night.

HELD FOR RAPE.

George Davis, colored, 21 years old, was given a hearing before Squire R. L. Stokes, in Hayesville township Saturday night on a charge of rape upon Rachel Perry, a 6 year old colored girl. The evidence was especially strong and we learn the deed was admitted by the prisoner. He was brought to Louisburg by Constable J. B. Smith and placed in jail about 2 o'clock Sunday morning, to await Court without the privilege of bond.

Quite a lot of indignant feelings were in evidence among the colored population of that section. We were informed a posse of forty or more armed men were on the trail of the criminal seeking to avenge the wrong. Constable Smith made the arrest. The officer avoided the crowd by circling around them and making a record speed with the preliminary work. There has been no evidence of a desire to take him from the jail since he has been in the hands of the law.

U. D. C.

The Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the U. D. C. will meet with Mrs. W. E. White on Tuesday afternoon, July 1, 1919 at 5:00 o'clock. Each member is cordially invited to be present and is requested to phone the hostess if she can attend.

Mrs. J. L. Palmer, Pres. Miss Lola Jackson, Sec'y.

SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH.

Rev. Wm. Collin Hughes will hold regular services at St. Paul's Church on the fifth Sunday, June 29th, morning and evening. Early communion at 7:30 A. M., morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M., and evening service to be announced, according to ability to have lights, in the afternoon or night. All always cordially welcomed to all services.

YOUNG WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Young Women's Missionary Society met in the Sunday School room June 24, 1919, in a regular study circle. The Scripture lesson was read by Miss Hodgie Alston, taken from Leviticus 24 chapter, followed by the Lords Prayer by the society. The society discussed a very interesting lesson from The Song of Italy.

Those present were Mrs. E. L. Best, Misses Sue Alston, Hattie Alston, Nova Rowland. The society adjourned to meet in the Sunday School room on Friday evening July 1, 1919, 8:30 o'clock in a business meeting.

A JOINT INSTALLATION

MASONIC OFFICERS—BIG DINNER.

Henderson and Sandy Creek Lodges Guests of J. H. Mills Lodge at Epson on Saturday.

Saturday proved to be one of the biggest days in the history of J. H. Mills Lodge No. 624 A. F. & A. M., when it entertained the Henderson Lodge No. 229 and Sandy Creek Lodge No. 185, in a joint installation service and big barbecue dinner. It has been customary with J. H. Mills Lodge and Sandy Creek Lodge to hold joint installations with first one and then the other for a number of years, but on this occasion Henderson Lodge was invited and added to the exercises. It had been planned that in the afternoon degree work would be put on, but was dispensed with on account of the funeral services of Bro. D. T. Fuller, a member of Sandy Creek Lodge.

The installation ceremony was held in the public school building and Bro. J. T. Alderman, P. G. M., of the Henderson Lodge conducted the installation with the assistance of Marshall S. A. Newell, of Louisburg Lodge No. 413. The officers installed were as follows:

Henderson—A. B. Wester, W. M.; R. G. Kittrell, S. W.; J. Ed. Bagwell, J. W.; J. T. Cheatham, Secretary; A. J. Harris, Treasurer; A. H. Cheek, S. D.; A. A. Bunn, J. D.; W. H. Wester, S. S.; J. J. S. Calloway, J. S.; W. N. Wortham, Tyler.

Sandy Creek—J. Pete Davis, W. M.; J. H. Harper, S. W.; Arthur Innes, J. W.; J. N. Egerton, Secretary; J. J. Cooper, Treasurer; W. J. Shearson, S. D.; Ernest Cooper, Jr. D.; F. G. Byrd, S. S.; H. W. Burnett, J. S.; Norwood Gupton, Tyler. J. H. Eaves, E. N. Williams, W. M.; W. R. L. Stokes, Secretary; W. J. Wynn, Treasurer; H. A. Faulkner, S. D.; J. E. Collins, J. D.; N. B. Smith, S. S.; J. T. Collins, J. S.; S. W. Duke, Tyler.

After the installation ceremony was over the guests were invited to partake of a feast that was more than enjoyed by all whose pleasure it was to be there. In addition to the fine old time basket picnic dinner which together provided about everything good to eat one could wish for, and the many present did it full justice, but enough was left to feed another equal number.

After dinner was over the Masons and many visitors went to Corinth church, nearby, where they attended the funeral services of Mr. D. T. Fuller.

MANY CONSECRATE LIVES TO SERVICE

Epworth League Conference at Louisburg Inspiring Occasion For All.

The 12th session of the North Carolina Epworth League Assembly closed Friday night with a consecration service, conducted by the Rev. W. A. Cade, pastor of the First Methodist church, Rocky Mount. The entire conference was marked by high spirituality, and from beginning to end the addresses delivered by the strong men engaged for this part of the work were of the highest order. In the development of the general theme of the conference, "Ourselves and Our Possessions for Christ," there was all along accumulative interest, and power expressed itself in the declared consecration of nearly every young life in attendance on the assembly.

The assembly also marked the point of greatest interest in mission work. At the business meeting on Friday the leaguers in a few minutes pledged themselves to \$2,600 for the work in Africa and accepted unhesitatingly the apportionment from the general league board for this conference of \$2,800 annually to be expended for teachers, medical missionaries and evangelists in Africa. The league has pledged itself to meet the church's demand for leaders to man the work in the foreign fields and to stimulate to that phase of the work. Rev. J. M. Ormond, pastor of the First Church, Elizabeth City, was elected life work secretary.

The annual election of officers brought several changes to the league cabinet for the coming year. Rev. E. S. Love, president of Louisburg College, was re-elected president of the conference; Mr. H. A. McGirt, of Wilmington, vice president; Mrs. Willie Chadwick, of New Bern, was elected to assist Miss Lizzie Hopcock for the coming year as secretary; Mrs. H. B. Branch was elected superintendent of the first department; Rev. H. I. Glass, pastor of the church at Edenton, superintendent of the second department; Mrs. W. A. Cade, Rocky Mount, superintendent of the third department; Rev. H. E. Hill, of Norfolk, superintendent of the fourth department; Mr. Louis Prater, of Raleigh, treasurer; Miss Lovie Ethel, of Edenton, was elected junior superintendent; Mrs. J. L. Mitchell, of Newton Grove, was elected Epworth Liaison agent.

Mrs. S. S. Meadows and Mr. Williams left Sunday by automobile for Olaneta, S. C., where Mr. Meadows will operate a tobacco plantation.

EBERT AND BAKER ISSUE PROCLAMATION ANNOUNCING THE CONCLUSION OF PEACE

London, June 25.—President Ebert of Germany, Premier Baker and all the ministers have issued a proclamation to the German people, according to a wireless message from Berlin, announcing the conclusion of peace and urging as the first pressing need the bending of all efforts to its fulfillment.

"As far as it is possible to carry it out," says the proclamation, "the treaty must be carried out."

It declares faithful loyalty to those threatened with separation from the empire and promises to intercede in their behalf, "as we would intercede for ourselves." It concludes by exhorting the people to realize the need of work and faithfulness to duty for the redemption of the country.

MR. D. T. FULLER DEAD.

Funeral Services Held at Corinth Church Saturday—Masonic Ceremony.

Dr. D. T. Fuller, one of Franklin County's most prominent and substantial planters of the Moulton section died at his home on Friday morning in his sixty-third year, after an illness of several months. Mr. Fuller was twice married, his first union being with Miss Genobia A. Fuller, of near Mapleville and his second to Miss Annie Mangum, of Durham, who now survives him. He was a kind and devoted husband and father, indulgent in all things that were good. He was a neighbor whose companionship, advice and kindness were always abundant and appreciated by many. He will be greatly missed in his community. He was a member of Corinth Baptist church and of Sandy Creek Masonic lodge both of which always received the best there was in him and in whom both were well pleased. He took much interest in the public matters of his neighborhood and gave freely of his time in the prosecution of things of public benefit. Mr. Fuller was a man whose friendship was appreciated and whose hospitality was always free and of the most loyal kind. Mr. Fuller gave much of his time for many years to the interests of public schools in his district serving on the school committee.

From his first union there survive him two children, Mr. W. D. Fuller, of Wood, and a member of the Board of County Commissioners, of Franklin County, and Mrs. J. F. Parrish, of Moulton. From his second marriage there survives him five children, Masters George, David and Walter Fuller, and Misses Mary Susan and Ida Powell Fuller.

The funeral services were held at Corinth church and were conducted by Revs. J. U. Teague, J. H. Harper and Eugene Elliott, of South Boston, Va. The remarks by the ministers were both appropriate, complimentary and deserving, showing a life well spent. The interment was made in the church cemetery near by with the beautiful and impressive Masonic ceremony by Sandy Creek Lodge with the assistance of many visiting Masons from J. H. Mills Lodge, Henderson, Louisburg and many other neighboring lodges. Possibly the largest crowd of friends and relatives were gathered at Corinth to pay a last sad tribute to the deceased than ever before. The floral tribute was profuse and beautiful. The pallbearers were Messrs. E. N. Williams, J. B. Smith, G. L. Aycock, D. C. Tharrington, J. H. Conyers, W. A. Parrish.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

UNION MEETING.

We are requested to state that there will be a union meeting held at the Baptist church on next Sunday of the Baptist and Methodist congregations. Rev. T. D. Collins will preach. Service will begin at 7 o'clock and hold forty-five minutes.

Sunday school will be held at both churches at the usual hour.

GETS COMPLETE STILL.

Chief of Police J. E. Winston, and Constable E. H. Evans, of Franklinton, brought in a fine copper still, complete with cap and worm Monday. They say they found it in the barn at the home of a Mr. Purgerson, about two hundred yards from the corporate limits of Franklinton. The still was destroyed.

AUTO ACCIDENT.

While attempting to turn from Main Street into Perry Street Saturday night Messrs. H. C. Williams and Robt. Williams smashed three wheels of a Ford touring car, but escaped personal injury. They were evidently coming at a moderate speed when they realized as they approached the point the smashup came when the car skidded to the south curb.

FARMERS UNION.

As requested to state that the Franklin County Farmers Union met in session in Louisburg on Thursday, June 27, 1919. All heads are requested to send delegates.

A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING

SOLEMNIZED AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.

When Miss Mary Belle Macon Became The Bride of Mr. Frank F. Fagan, of Rocky Mount.

On Tuesday of this week, at high noon, a marriage of unusual beauty and interest took place at the Methodist Episcopal Church, when Miss Mary Belle Macon, one of Louisburg's most attractive young ladies became the bride of Mr. Frank F. Fagan, a prominent business man of Rocky Mount.

The church was elaborately decorated in green and white. Before the arrival of the bridal party Mrs. O. Y. Yarboro, the organist rendered several appropriate selections. As the strains of the wedding march were heard the ushers Messrs. W. E. Fenner, of Rocky Mount, M. S. Clifton, E. S. Ford and Dr. S. P. Burt, of Louisburg, entered first, followed by Master E. J. Macon, of Linden, as ring bearer and little Miss Sarah Paxton Badham, of Edenton, as flower girl carrying a basket of pink sweet peas. Miss Genevieve Macon, a sister of the bride next entered becomingly attired in a white Georgette crepe costume, carrying a shower bouquet of lavender sweet peas. The bride, dressed in a going away suit of dark blue, carrying a bridal bouquet of sweet roses, orchids with a shower of sweet peas entered with her father Mr. W. H. Macon. The groom entered with his best man Mr. J. W. Martin, of Norfolk. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Frederick Diehl, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, of Rocky Mount, assisted by Rev. G. F. Smith, of the Louisburg Methodist Church.

Monday evening following the rehearsal an informal reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Macon, for the bridal party, family and out-of-town guests. The gifts received by this popular young couple were numerous and handsome. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Fagan motored to Henderson, where they took the train for an extended bridal trip through the North.

After August 1st, they will be at home 208 Hickory St., Rocky Mount. Among the out-of-town visitors here to attend the wedding were: Mrs. Emily Fagan, Mrs. R. P. Badham, Misses Emily Wood and Sarah Paxton Badham, of Edenton; Mrs. S. R. Biggs, Jr., of Williamston; Miss Genevieve Fagan, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fenner and Master Julian Fenner, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Braswell, and Miss Lillian Braswell, Miss Eubra Morton, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Sprulli, Misses Maud Phillips and Lena Redmond, Mrs. Henry Thorpe, Miss Charlotte Thorpe, Rev. Frederick Diehl, Mr. Gordon Huffines, Misses Margaret and Marion Duke, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cooper, Master Thomas and Miss Rebecca Cooper, of Rocky Mount; Mr. J. W. Martin, of Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Harvey Cooley, of Richmond, Va.; Mr. W. T. Field, of Spring Hope, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Macon and E. J. Macon Jr., of Linden; Mr. Sebastian Macon, Mrs. M. E. Winston, and Miss Elizabeth Winston, of Winton; Miss Ann Graham, of Charlotte.

DEATH OF LITTLE LENA LEONARD

Another home was made sad on the evening of May 26, 1919, about 3 o'clock the spirit of little Lena Leonard, age eight years took its flight to be with God and the holy angels. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leonard. She was a bright and sweet little girl and was loved by all who knew her. She was sick about five weeks and though all loving hands could do was done, she was called by the Lord to add to the Heavenly Jewels. She is, only across the river on the other shore waiting for mother and father to join her in heaven where there is joy and peace and happiness. Do not weep dear loved ones for the Lord knoweth best. It looks hard to take one so young as her but little Lena is at rest and will not have to go through all this trouble here on earth. We know she is safe in the arms of Jesus. You can not call her back but you can live the life that when your time comes you will be ready to meet your darling in Heaven. Remember your darling watches over you from heaven above and will greet you when life's dark days are done. We extend to her bereaved parents our heartfelt sympathy. She leaves to mourn her loss, a mother and father, six brothers and two sisters. Besides a large number of relatives and friends. She was tenderly laid to rest at the cemetery at Sareport. May God comfort and soothe the hearts of the bereaved ones in the dark hours of the night. We shall meet her in a better world. We shall meet her no more, safe beyond the swelling tide, free from pain and sorrow over there where loved ones abide. Amid a host of friends and loved ones. Her cousin A. M. H.

ARMY EQUIPMENT TO BE USED ON ROADS.

Washington, D. C.—The War Department has ordered to be returned from France a large quantity of engineering equipment for distribution through the Bureau of Public Roads to the States for use in construction and maintenance of highways. Apportionment will be on the basis of the allotments in the Federal Aid Road Act in the same way that 20,000 army motor trucks are now being distributed for road-building purposes in the States. The equipment includes about 1500 caterpillar tractors; about 400 road rollers, steam and gas driven; a large number of concrete mixers and road graders, elevating graders, rock crushers, industrial locomotives, industrial railway track, dump cars, steam shovels, hoisting engines and smaller equipment. Such use of equipment no longer needed by the army will facilitate highway construction and stimulate employment of labor, in the opinion of Secretary of Agriculture Houston.

THEIR NATURE.

—Hear the Contemps went out in their new machine and it got out of their control and actually ran up a telegraph pole.

THEIR NATURE.

—I always did say those people were

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. H. E. Hight left Wednesday for Olaneta, S. C.

Mrs. Lee Battle, of Trinity College, is a visitor to Louisburg.

Mr. W. F. Beasley paid Baltimore a business visit this week.

Miss Sallie Wilson, of Cllo, S. C., is visiting Mrs. K. K. Allen.

Messrs. C. C. Hudson and S. C. Holden went to New York this week.

Mr. B. F. Wilder and family returned Monday from a trip to Robersonville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Webb left Tuesday for Blackstone, Va., to visit relatives.

Chief of Police D. C. High and Mr. O. Y. Yarboro visited Raleigh Wednesday.

Mr. E. J. Macon, of Linden, was in Louisburg Tuesday to attend the marriage of his sister.

Mr. John Harris, Jr. returned home from France, where he has been in the National Army, Tuesday.

Dr. H. G. Perry left Monday night for Richmond to accompany Mrs. Perry home from a hospital.

Dr. H. H. Johnson went to Raleigh Monday to attend a meeting of the State Medical Association.

Mesdames J. M. Allen, K. K. Allen, Miss Sallie Wilson and Mr. J. M. Allen visited Raleigh Tuesday.

Mr. Rosser Earle returned home from France where he has been with the Expeditionary Forces, Friday.

Mr. F. Roth left Monday for the Northern Markets to purchase the fall and winter goods for I. J. Deltz Co.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cox, of Sanford, spent the week-end in Louisburg, guests of his sister, Mrs. O. C. Hill.

Messrs. F. R. Pleagants and M. E. Dizer are attending the State Pharmaceutical Convention at Wrightsville Beach.

Messrs. William Harris and Cheatham Alston returned yesterday from a visit to Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

Dr. Jones Crudup, of Julian, Neb., visited his sisters, Mrs. R. P. Taylor and Miss Columbia Crudup here the past week.

Mr. J. A. Corbett and family went to Raleigh Sunday, where he attended a gathering of local managers for the Standard Oil Co.

Rev. G. F. Smith left Monday for Columbus, Ohio, to attend a meeting in connection with the Methodist Centenary movement.

Mrs. W. B. Joyner and children, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Henderson for the past two weeks, have returned home.

Gov. T. W. Bickett passed through Louisburg Monday en route to Inez, where he delivered an address. He spent the night in town on both incoming and out-going trips.