

IMPORTANT NEWS THE WORLD OVER

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THIS AND OTHER NATIONS FOR SEVEN DAYS GIVEN

THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH

What is Taking Place in The South
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Brief Paragraphs

Domestic

Additional returns from the election in Texas increased the majority against the woman suffrage constitutional amendment.

Prohibition seems to have carried in Texas, though the vote is close, and may yet shift either way.

The suffragettes in Texas are fighting on contesting the election in which it appears woman suffrage failed to pass.

Col. Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, died at the Bye and Ear hospital, in New York, where he had undergone an operation.

Members of the Democratic national committee closed a two-day session in Chicago by adopting a declaration of policy.

Withdrawal of the American forces from Archangel is actually under way, according to cable advices to the war department, which states that all the American troops are being evacuated.

The volcano Kalut (Keloet) is one of the fourteen active volcanoes on the island of Java. Kalut is in eastern Java south of Surabaya. For its size it has more volcanoes than any other country in the world.

Kalut's last eruption was on the 23d of May, 1901, when one hundred and eighty-one persons were killed.

Much of the island of Java was laid waste in August, 1853, when the loss of life was estimated at thirty-five million.

The policy of the navy department for a fleet "second to none in the world" has been temporarily abandoned. Secretary Daniels believes in showing confidence in the proposed league of nations.

By unanimous vote the house ways and means committee has ordered a favorable report on a resolution repealing the so-called semi-luxury tax in the war revenue bill.

European

A sensation has been caused by a statement published by the Berlin independent newspaper Freiheit that Lieutenant Vogel, who was convicted of the murder of Rosa Luxemburg, the radical socialist leader, and who recently mysteriously escaped from prison, had been released under a false order.

A summary of the skeleton of the Austrian treaty submitted to the smaller nations of the continent is being made chiefly by its omissions and reservations. Subject heading after subject heading is followed either by a non-committal display of blank paper, resembling a censored French newspaper, or by the statement: "This clause reserved."

"The Americans misunderstood my point. I was not criticizing their attempt. It is impossible to compare the two fights. We did not wish to have battleships supplied by the government along the route. My remarks were intended for those who were criticizing the government for not supplying them. This is the substance of what Henry P. Hawley told the London Evening Globe, regarding American press comment on the speech he made at a luncheon in London to newspaper men.

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WILSON IS APPEALED TO BY IRISH-AMERICAN DELEGATES

Thousands of discharged British soldiers and sailors out of employment, armed with delegates, appear before the peace conference, Walsh, Ryan and Dunn have addressed a note to President Wilson begging permission for themselves to present the resolutions adopted by the Philadelphia convention. It is a foregone conclusion that after an exchange of letters with Wilson that the British American delegation's latest request will meet the same fate.

RATE INCREASES ARE UPHOLD BY THE U. S. SUPREME COURT

Washington.—Increased railroad, telephone and telegraph rates ordered by the railroad administration and by the postmaster general, respectively, were sustained by the supreme court which held that the war power conferred by congress upon the president included sweeping control over the railroad and wire systems with "supreme and conclusive" authority to fix intrastate rates.

TWENTY-ONE REPUBLICS ARE REPRESENTED IN CONFERENCE

Washington.—With 21 American republics officially represented and with nearly 500 delegates present, the second pan-American commercial conference was opened at the pan-American union. The president of the United States, the presidents of Chile, Ecuador, Guatemala, Bolivia and Uruguay, the provisional president of Venezuela and the secretary of foreign affairs of Salvador sent cablegrams of greeting.

NARROW ESCAPE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

ANOTHER ATTEMPT AT MURDER AT WHOLESALE IS MADE IN A NUMBER OF CITIES.

INSTIGATORS CHIEF VICTIMS

Death Toll of Two or Three Appears to Have Been Confined to Ranks of Bomb-Planters Themselves.

Washington.—Another attempted reign of terror, directed chiefly against public officials who have been active in their prosecution, was launched by American radicals shortly before midnight.

A bomb explosion which damaged the residence of Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer in the fashionable northwest section of Washington, but which apparently resulted only in the death of the bomb planter, was followed at intervals by similar explosions in seven other cities in a belt extending from Cleveland to Boston.

Besides Washington, Cleveland and Boston, cities in which bomb outrages occurred, were Pittsburgh, Paterson, N. J., West Philadelphia, New York and Newtonville, Mass. West Philadelphia and Pittsburgh were subjected to two separate explosions.

Bombs intended by anarchists for men who had directed the force of law against them, pronounced sentence against radicals or introduced legislation intended to check their machinations, failed in every case to claim their victims. In several cases, however, families of public officials and the public officials themselves experienced narrow escapes. The death toll of two taken in the Washington and the New York explosions recoiled upon instigators of the reign of terror.

According to first conclusions reached by the police, in some instances innocent pedestrians were injured more or less seriously.

NO ARROGANCE IS SHOWN BY AUSTRIAN DELEGATION

St. Germain.—The representatives of the vanquished Austrian nation met the victors at today's ceremony in the fifteenth century castle of St. Germain to appeal for grace and clemency and a kindly treatment. No trace of the arrogant spirit with which Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the German peace delegation, attempted at Versailles to arraign the allied powers as jointly responsible for the war, England, thereby completing the first trans-Atlantic flight, will not attempt a non-stop or any other kind of a flight back to the United States. It will be disassembled and shipped to this country.

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GEN. FAISON TO ADDRESS STATE BANKERS' MEETING

Winston-Salem.—President Jas. A. Gray, of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, announces that the annual meeting of financiers will be held in Winston-Salem, August 20-22. The meeting is expected to be most interesting and valuable. Announcement is made of the coming of several speakers of national reputation. These include General S. L. Faison, commander of the famous Thirtieth Division.

WANT "PEOPLES BANK" ORGANIZED IN ALL STATES

New York.—A campaign to bring about organization in every state of "peoples banks," designed to meet the needs of laborers, salaried men, small business men and farmers, was planned at a meeting of a committee was appointed to work for adoption by Congress of a federal law authorizing the banks. Members include Governor T. W. Bickett, of North Carolina.

MARRIED 2,000 FEET UP IN AIR IN AIRPLANE

Houston, Texas.—With the deafening exhaust from two 2-cylinder Liberty motors beating the wedding march, Lieut. R. W. Meade, of Cincinnati, O., and Miss Marjorie Dumont, of Yorkville, Ind., were pronounced man and wife more than 2,000 feet above the heads of 10,000 spectators at Ellington field. After the ceremony was completed the pilot drove the ship for a 20-minute cruise through the "hot clouds."

PEOPLE SEEMINGLY ARE CAMOUFLAGED

HUN NEWSBOYS VENDING FULL TEXT OF THE TREATY ON STREETS.

BIG THREE MADE RIDICULOUS

The Cry of "Beware, This Translation is German Made," Does Not Lessen Humor of the Situation.

London.—While President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George and Clemenceau imagined that they were keeping from the world the exact text of the peace treaty, Germany stole a march, for they have put it out in a pamphlet form, selling it upon the streets of other cities.

Those who have seen parts of the original peace treaty in Paris say that the official press summary was rigged with special sharp teeth for political effect in France and England. The clauses upon reparations are as one instance, the clauses being less severe in the Times forecast published the day before the Germans got the treaty than in the official digest arranged for the press at Paris.

The pity is that the Big Three let the Germans come along first with the full text of the treaty. They are now crying "beware" and "beware" is German made. It does not lessen the rather ridiculous plight the Big Three may now find themselves in, in consequence of trying to make the people at home think that the terms are more severe than they really were. Nor does the attempt to cover the hiatus between the press summary and the first draft with the explanation that constant changes are necessary before the final draft will be reached another the humor of the situation that the Germans have apparently created.

IN FIFTY MINUTE FIGHT THE ANARCHIST FLEET IS ROUTED

Helsingfors.—A fifty-minute fight occurred between a bolshevik fleet comprising the battleship Petropavlovsk (23,703 tons) and two battleships which had been bombarding the coast west of Kronstadt (15 miles west of Kronstadt) and seven British warships. The Russians eventually fled to Kronstadt.

The encounter, which took place in the gulf of Finland, was the second the British have had recently with bolshevik naval forces which are trying to harry the Estonian army approaching Petrograd from the west. On May 18 a thirty-five minute naval fight occurred not far from the locality of the one now reported. It had a similar result, the bolshevik fleet retiring to Kronstadt.

LONDON POLICE STRIKE IS POSTPONED OR ABANDONED

London.—London's threatened police strike, for which the members of the force voted by a big majority, has been called off for the present. At the demonstration in Hyde park which had been arranged by the police it was announced that the executive committee of their organization had decided to postpone the strike until after peace was signed.

The announcement also was made at the Hyde park meeting that the official ballot of the policemen on the question of a strike was 44,549 in favor of and 4,324 against a walkout. Secretary Hays, of the police union, in giving out the figures, explained that the strike committee was not anxious to call a walkout if it could have the men's grievances redressed in any other way.

ANGELES "WISE" WASHINGTON AS TO MEXICAN REVOLUTION

Washington.—General Felipe Angeles, recently proclaimed by Villa's forces as provisional president of Mexico, has sent a communication to the Washington administration, in which he stated that the Mexican revolution should be a party issue, it should be entirely nonpartisan; those of every political party should join in and support it from purely patriotic motives.

It is a mistake to try and limit its support to those of one political faith. "I am somewhat surprised at the action of the democratic national committee. In any event it can have no influence or control over the senate."

APART FROM GERMANY "AUSTRIA IS DOOMED."

Vienna.—"Austria is doomed to economic death if she does not join Germany," said Herr Setz, president of the Austrian republic. "Overloaded as Austria is with this Vienna of 2,000,000 inhabitants we have not much industry."

The proposed Danube economic confederation is in my opinion impossible because neither the Czechs nor Slavs are willing for such a union."

SINN FEIN MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT ARRESTED.

Dublin.—Lawrence Ginnell, Sinn Fein member of parliament for West Meath, was arrested on charges made in connection with a speech delivered at Athlone.

British troops broke up a forbidden meeting at Athlone on May 5. Lawrence Ginnell was attempting to address the meeting when the troops appeared. Several persons were wounded.

COMMITTEE HEARS POSTAL AND WESTERN UNION MEN.

Washington.—Charges by Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union Telegraph company, that Edward Reynolds, formerly general manager of the Postal Telegraph-Cable company, had attempted to make the government operation of the telegraph system a failure, and an alternate defense of and attack upon Postmaster Burleson were features of hearings before the senate commerce committee.

LAST THROES OF HUN RESISTANCE

SAY THEIR PLANS OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS ARE SUPERIOR TO THOSE OF WILSON.

STILL PLEADING INABILITY

Clemenceau, Speaking of Germans in Speech Said, "You Must Sign Either at Versailles or Berlin."

Berlin.—Germany is willing to agree to the proposed stipulations regarding her military, aerial and naval forces contained in the draft of the peace treaty, provided that she is permitted to enter the league of nations on an equal footing immediately upon the signing of peace and particularly that she be permitted to share in the complete equality and reciprocity of all nations in the economic domain.

This declaration is contained in the second section of the German proposals to the peace terms. At the same time, it is declared, the German delegation holds to its idea of the superiority of its own draft of proposals for a league of nations.

"The covering note," presented to the peace conference by the German delegation says:

"We came to Versailles expecting to receive a peace proposal framed according to the agreed basis. We had a firm resolve to do everything in our power to fulfill the heavy obligations assumed by us. We were shocked when we read in that document the demands which the victorious might of our opponents had set forth. The more we studied the spirit of the treaty, the more we were convinced of the impossibility of carrying it out. The demands of this treaty go beyond the strength of the German people."

London.—Premier Lloyd George, in his speech to the Welsh division at Amiens, declared, according to The South Wales Daily News:

"We say to the Germans: 'Gentlemen, you must sign. If you don't do so at Versailles, you shall do so in Berlin. We are not going to give way.'"

FIFTEEN STEAMERS TO TAKE FOOD TO HUNGRY SIBERIANS

London.—Jonas Lied, whose name has long been associated with the development of the Kara sea route, has just returned from Omsk and has been authorized by the Kolchak administration to make arrangements for the dispatch without delay of 15 steamers of 3,500 tons each with cargo for the Siberian population to be delivered by way of the Kara sea.

It is proposed that 10 of these steamers shall start from England and five from New York. Appropriate British and American cargoes are asked for, in exchange for a wide selection of manufactured goods, the Kolchak administration has authorized the exports of hemp, furs, hides, furs, wool and other products.

SEARANTON YORKE, OF ARGONNE, RECEIVES HIS DISCHARGE

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Sergeant Alvin C. York, Tennessee mountaineer and hero of the battle of Argonne, who arrived here en route to Fort Oglethorpe, received his discharge from the army and will leave for his home at Pall Mall, Trenton county.

Sergeant York arrived at the fort and 30 minutes later had received his physical examination and a discharge from the service, all the papers having been prepared in advance. Sergeant York wired Senator Kenneth D. McKellar asking him to introduce the necessary legislation allowing the return of the revolver, number 24,048—with which he killed the Germans at the time of his Argonne exploit. The revolver was turned over to the army quartermaster at Retz, France.

York was made an honorary member of the Chattanooga Rotary Club and elected a delegate to the Salt Lake convention by the Rotarians.

REVISED LEAGUE COVENANT ENDORSED BY CLUB WOMEN

Asheville, N. C.—By unanimous vote, at a public meeting at the City Auditorium, the mid-biennial council of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of America decided to adopt the revised covenant of the league of nations. President Wilson was called on for his opinion of the league of nations should be a party issue, it should be entirely nonpartisan; those of every political party should join in and support it from purely patriotic motives.

Unanimously adopting the 10 plans presented by Mrs. J. D. Sherman, of Chicago, for the Americanization which is planned by the General Federation of Women's Clubs, took the first definite step toward that end.

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MEXICAN MATTERS GROWING SERIOUS

VILLA FORCES HAVE ELECTED GENERAL FELIPE ANGELES PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT.

VILLA IS SECRETARY OF WAR

Carranza Government Asks Permission to Move Troops Through Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.

Washington.—Villa forces have proclaimed General Felipe Angeles provisional president of Mexico and Villa himself, secretary of war.

The move, coming at the climax of military operations considered by the Carranza government so serious that it has asked the United States for permission to move troops through Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, is regarded here as reflecting a situation more serious in Mexico than any since the triumph of Carranza forces over Villa three years ago. Viewed in connection with activities of the Felicista forces in southern Mexico the situation is regarded as full of possibilities.

Angeles' reported first proclamation announcing that Americans in Mexico would be protected is particularly interesting to officials here, coming as it does on the heels of the refusal of the state department to grant Carranza's request that he be allowed to move troops through American territory for the purpose of protecting Americans in Chihuahua.

Acting Secretary Polk announced that he had notified the Mexican government he could not grant the request made unless assurances could be given that Americans would be afforded protection while American troops were in transit. This could not be done had been admitted previously by the Mexican authorities. Governor Hobby, of Texas, declined to authorize the passage of Mexican troops through Texas without guarantees of protection to Americans and so notified the state department.

EDMONDS CHAMPIONS CAUSE OF SOUTHERN COTTON MEN

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TEMPORARY NAVY OF 250,000

Between Now and End of War Department Will Have Time to Carefully Consider Situation.

Washington.—Although the navy department has placed itself on record as being opposed to launching new building programs which would give the United States a navy "second to none in the world," it is in favor of rushing to completion all capital ships already authorized and of maintaining temporarily at least, a force of men capable of handling "any emergency which might arise."

Secretary Daniels, continuing his testimony before the house naval affairs committee, read a communication from the general board which recommended that the 10 battleships and six battle cruisers authorized in the 1916 program should be completed as soon as possible.

Recommendation was made by the secretary that provision be made in the 1920 appropriation bill for a navy of 250,000 men, only 23,000 less than are now in the service. He asserted that unless this number was authorized the navy would be unable to aid materially in bringing American troops home from Europe and in addition would be "dangerously weakened."

Mr. Daniels emphasized that the navy department did not intend to ask Congress at this time for a permanent navy of 250,000 men but only for a temporary force large enough to take care of the work arising in the transition period between war and peace. Between now and the end of the war, the secretary said, the department would have time to study carefully the situation and arrive at a definite conclusion as to the country's needs.

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OVER THE LAND OF THE LONG LEAF PINE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Asheville.—Horace Sentelle, business manager of the Asheville Times, and several associates will soon open a print shop in the city. Mr. Sentelle, it is understood, will continue to hold his position with the Times.

Charlotte.—Charlotte people will be interested to know that Phillip Kline, a Charlotte boy, was rescued from the steamer Virginian, which was destroyed a few days ago between Baltimore and Norfolk.

Chapel Hill.—Twenty students will be selected from the State University to attend a small summer school at Paris Island, S. C., this summer.

Asheville.—The grand council of the United Commercial Travelers of the two Carolinas will meet in Asheville with headquarters at the Langren June 13-14, guests of local Council No. 285.

Washington.—It was announced by the war department that Lieutenant Seazer and Sergeant First Class A. R. Reith arrived at Tarboro, N. C., from Langley field in Curtis J1-6 in 90 minutes, distance 125 miles.

Raleigh.—A statement issued by the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Engineering completely exonerated President W. C. Riddick from the charges against him made by the students in their recent round robin, demanding his resignation. Trustees declare the college management deserving utmost confidence.

Asheville.—The two United States senators from North Carolina, each urged to vote for woman suffrage by the central labor union of Asheville.

Hickory.—Hickory officers were searching for two white boys who in broad daylight entered the home of Charlie Watson at Connelly Springs and made off with \$250 in money.

Salisbury.—Salisbury's annual chautauqua opened with a record attendance. The guarantors went over the top nicely with the guarantee, and the seven-day program starts off well.

Winston-Salem.—Jesse N. Burke was killed, and a man named Kelly, perhaps fatally injured at Burke's mill, six miles west of town, when one of the combers burst, one piece of stone striking Burke on the head, death resulting in a few minutes. Another piece hit Kelly on the leg, breaking it.

Asheville.—At the meeting of the North Carolina Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., it was decided to hold the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, May 19 of next year at Gastonia.

Wilmington.—Chairman Frank Page of the State Highway Commission has announced that State and Federal aid will be available for the building of some 1,500 feet of causeway within the city limits across the marshes of Brunswick county. The improvement to this road will cost \$150,000.

Asheville.—During the last 10 days, 10 stalls have been destroyed in this immediate section.

Kings Mountain.—The Victory Gin Company, recently organized here by about 100 of the leading farmers and citizens of Kings Mountain have placed an order for the big gin outfit.

Concord.—A Campaign is to be waged in Concord and Cabarrus county for subscriptions for an endowment fund for the Laura Sunderland Memorial school, the school conducted here by the Northern Presbyterian church. The sum desired to be raised here is \$10,000.

Salisbury.—Ellis Troutman, son of James E. Troutman,