

HUGHES PRESENTS "BIG FIVE" AGREEMENT

BODIES STACKED LIKE CORDWOOD VOLGA DISTRICT

Old Women and Children Are Being Consumed, Relief Worker Says in Letter to Headquarters.

Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—Drastic pictures of heartlessness and cruelty—the cheering smile of Americans amid the starving hordes of Russia—are drawn by Paulah A. Hurley, of New Hope, Pa., now a member of the Quaker Relief unit, in a letter from the Volga district to headquarters of the unit here.

RUSSIAN CANNIBALISM REPORT IS CONFIRMED

London, Feb. 1.—Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, who is closely identified with Russian relief, expressed himself in a pessimistic manner in a statement to press representatives this afternoon regarding the famine in Russia.

"It is too late to save the people of Russia," he declared, "whatever is done they will die by the millions. Livestock is being everywhere, and if nothing is done they will presently be none remaining. Twenty American dollars will keep a horse alive, but a human life can be saved for 15 shillings; that sum would keep a man alive until the new harvest."

"You may talk about the horrors of war, but these people suffer for weeks and months before they die. Their bodies are nothing but skin and bones, but the famine strikes do not come to that state until many days have passed."

Asked if there was any truth in the reports of cannibalism, Dr. Nansen replied that there was, but said it was not widespread as yet. "In many places the people are eating dead bodies," he added, "but in the Samara region they are beginning to kill one another."

FORCE LANDLORDS TO FURNISH HEAT

New York, Feb. 1.—Seventy-five policemen were assigned today to enforce the house heating and sanitary rule laid down by Health Commissioner Cowland in an effort to check further spread of the influenza epidemic. Dr. Cowland announced that he would take immediate legal steps against house owners who failed to provide sufficient heat.

GOVERNOR INAUGURATED AT RICHMOND TODAY

Richmond, Va., Feb. 1.—E. Lee Trinkle, of Wytheville, was inaugurated governor of Virginia today, succeeding Westmoreland Davis. Judge Joseph L. Kelly, president of the state supreme court, administered the oath. Junius F. West, of Suffolk, at the same time became lieutenant governor; his brother, Judge J. F. West, also of the state supreme court, administering the oath. Governor Trinkle is 43 years old and a Democrat.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 1.—The steady tone noted in the cotton market yesterday was in evidence again today and prices showed further rallies on continued covering accompanied by reports of slightly better spot demand. The opening was firm at an advance of 7 to 22 points in response to relatively firm cables.

Opening Firm. New York, Feb. 1.—Cotton futures opened firm. March 16.60, May 16.45, July 16.00, October 15.58, December 15.50. Concord Market. Concord, Feb. 1.—Cotton sold for 16 on the local market.

CHAMPION FIGHT FAN IS 101



MRS. PATRICK J. CONVEY. Omaha, Neb., Feb. 1.—Mrs. Patrick J. Convey, at the age of 101, claims she is the champion fight fan of the world.

ADULT SCHOOLS TO BE OPENED JUNE 19

Effort Being Made to Have Woman From Every County Attend School of Instruction.

Relief, Feb. 1.—Miss Elizabeth Kelly, director of schools for adult beginners of the State Department of Education, announces that the school of education for teaching adult beginners will be held this year from June 19 to June 29 in connection with the Asheville Normal school at Asheville.

An effort is now being made by Miss Kelly to have one or more women from each county in the state to attend this school of instruction and she is calling upon women's clubs and other organizations in each county to select a capable woman who with the approval of the county superintendent of schools shall cooperate with her in the work of teaching adult beginners. In counties with large city school systems it is suggested that a special worker for each city be named. The clubs making the selections are asked to make arrangements for their teacher to the school.

"The plan of organizing a school of education for teaching native beginners grew out of the following needs," said Miss Kelly: "the vital interest and support of the public authoritative leadership; an intelligent coordination of existing public agencies; a greater number of trained teachers, and adequate public funds."

"In order to meet these needs it is our purpose to bring into this school one or more women from each county in our state. The business of these women will be principally to find the best methods of attracting the native adult illiterate problem in their own counties and to link the work up with the public schools and other agencies by which it must be done. So that women may be given definite and intensive training for teaching native adult beginners, the following courses are offered:

1.—Methods for organizing and conducting community schools for adult beginners; 10 hours by Elizabeth Kelly. 2.—Texts, materials, methods and outlines of subjects to be used in teaching adult beginners; 20 hours by Mrs. Elizabeth Norris. 3.—Plays, songs, games and contests to be used in community schools; 10 hours by Alton C. Roberts."

JAPANESE MARSHAL DEAD

London, Feb. 1.—Field Marshal Prince Yamagata, one of the few remaining Japanese elder statesmen, died at his home in Odawara today, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Tokio. He was in his 84th year.

GOV. OPERATION R. R. DEFENDED

Former Director General McAdoo Asserts Measures Taken Then Call for No Apologies.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Measures taken during federal control and operation of the railroads of the country "call for no apologies," William G. McAdoo, war time director general of railroads, declared today before the senate interstate commerce committee, and statements of seven of the ablest railroad men in the United States were presented by him to support his declaration.

"These measures," Mr. McAdoo quoted railroad men as saying, "were caused by war conditions and efficient operation of the railroads in support of the government during the administration during that period."

Mr. McAdoo, who appeared at the committee's inquiry into present railroad conditions, also quoted the executives to the effect that "it was impossible to avoid the increased wages which were granted and those which are pending are inherently the result of the same causes." The executives ascribed the necessities for the increases to "war industries surrounding the railroads on all sides," paying war prices for labor and depleting the railroad supply of labor, particularly the supply of skilled labor.

COAL MINERS WOULD JOIN RAIL WORKERS

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 1.—The United Mine Workers of America are willing "to unreservedly pool their interests with the railroad organizations and stand with them in resistance to the proposed attack on wage schedules," John J. Lewis, international president of the miners declared in a statement today. The statement was made along with the announcement that an invitation to participate in the meeting with the miners had been sent to officers of the sixteen major organizations of railroad workers.

BANK HEAD INDICTED

Boston, Feb. 1.—Max Mitchell, president of the defunct Cosmopolitan bank and trust company, was arraigned today on five separate indictments in which he is charged with having received more than a million five hundred thousand dollars in fraudulent loans and covering up false reports and entries, and with altering promissory notes, he pleaded guilty and was admitted to bail in the sum of fifty thousand dollars supplied by relatives.

BANK OF CASWILLE ROBBED OF \$12,000

Cartersville, Ga., Feb. 1.—Forsythe Bank of Caswille for the second time within a week has been made away with approximately \$12,000 last night, according to word received here today. The loot consisted of liberty bonds, county warrants, notes and other papers but no cash, it was said, as the robbers apparently made no effort to enter the money safe. The previous visit resulted in nothing more than trespassing with the bank combination and the robbers were amateurs and last night's visitors professionals.

WAREHOUSES IN OPERATION

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 1.—Four million pounds of tobacco were delivered to the warehouses of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Marketing Association when those outside Lexington were opened yesterday for the first time this season, it was announced at headquarters tonight. As was the case when the houses here opened last week, it was said that growers received more money in advance for their crops this year than they sold them for last season. No reports of dissatisfied growers were received.

AFTER NEGRO FUGITIVE

Officer J. H. A. Lyerly went to Wake Forest last night after Leroy Rhinehart, negro, wanted for robbing another man in this county several months ago and who made a get away and has been eluding the officers since. The officer will return with the prisoner today.

NEGRO CONFESSES TO CRIME

New Bern, Feb. 1.—Under a grilling by police officers at the hospital early yesterday Joe Dixon, the negro who with a gunshot wound in his left side, had been under guard there since Sunday morning, broke down and confessed to the attempted burglary of the home of R. B. Grimsley on North avenue at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, admitting that he was the victim of 14-year-old Herman Grimsley's gun.

TWO MEN RESIGN AS DEPUTIES TO COLONEL WATTS

Resignation Was Called It is Stated in Raleigh—Were Appointed by Old Commission.

Raleigh, Feb. 1.—Governor Morrison called for the resignation of deputy commissioners T. W. Fenner, of Raleigh, and A. J. Hauser, Winston-Salem, of the State Department of Revenue, it is learned from an authoritative source here today.

The deposed tax collectors will relinquish their work with the State department soon and Commissioner A. D. Watts will name men to fill their vacancies. Both officials were appointees of the old State Tax Commission which functioned under the State Corporation Commission until the Legislature divorced the departments and created the new system as it is now being operated. No charges of any kind have been preferred against Messrs. Hauser and Fenner and they quit their posts with good records.

There has been no formal announcement made from the revenue department as to the release of the two deputies but it is an open secret here that neither Deputy Fenner nor Deputy Hauser save their kind of support of Candidate Morrison which Governor Morrison expected. That's what the capital hears and in the absence of any authoritative statement from Commissioner Watts it is taken at face value.

Disatisfaction with the release of the two men has been heard, even some supporters of the administration thinking that the governor could have overlooked their lack of faith back in the days when the three-cornered military scrap was underway. Nobody knows whether Hauser and Fenner were active in the support of Gardner or Pace, or whether they were active at all. Probably the governor and Commissioner Watts know, but it does not appear that either of the deputies turned any vote one way or the other.

BALLOTING FOR POPE TO BEGIN TOMORROW

Rome, Feb. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—The sacred college convenes tomorrow in conclave for the election of a new pope. The Italian, French and Spanish governments, which formerly claimed the right to veto, have informed the Italian government in advance that they have no objection in advance to the election of a pope of their own choice. The Italian government has no candidate, said this statement.

STATE EXPERT BODY TO ASSIST ON INCOME BLANK

Mr. J. E. Body, an expert from the office of Revenue Commissioner A. D. Watts at Raleigh, will be in Salisbury four days this month to assist any who may desire his services in making out their state income blanks, the services of which will be free, the state sending him out to serve the taxpayers in this capacity. Mr. Body will be here tomorrow, Thursday, February 2, and also Friday 3 and will be back again on Thursday and Friday of next week, February 9 and 10. He will make his headquarters at Sheriff Kridler's office in the court house while here.

GENERAL R. B. STRIKE ORDERED IN GERMANY

Berlin, Feb. 1.—The executive committee of the railroad men's union has declared a general strike on the railroads to begin at midnight tonight. The vote was 20 to 15.

2 FRENCH SOLDIERS KILLED IN SILESIA

Berlin, Feb. 1.—Two French soldiers were killed and twenty-five wounded in disorders on Saturday night at Petersdorf, Silesia, according to the latest reports from Gleiwitz. Shots were exchanged while soldiers were searching houses for arms.

CANAL NOT DAMAGED

Panama, Feb. 1.—The Panama canal was not affected by the earthquake yesterday morning. The movement was not strong enough to be apparent generally but was registered by the seismograph as a prolonged tremor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING CLOSES

51 Schools Were Re-presented at Three Day Meeting in Salisbury—Next in Greensboro.

Final sessions of the Rowan County Sunday School Institute were marked by a full attendance. The convention which closed Tuesday night has been in session for the past three days. Sunday School workers from all parts of the county attended and the records show 51 Sunday Schools were represented. There were present in the various sessions of the convention 24 preachers, 23 Sunday School superintendents and 236 Sunday School teachers.

Dr. C. M. Van Poole, President of the County organization and other officers of the Association have been much gratified over the attendance and interest shown in the work of the institute, not only by the workers of Salisbury but throughout the county. It is believed that the institute just closed will do much toward stimulating the Sunday School work of the county and as an impetus for getting the spring and summer work in the county under way.

Mr. D. W. Sims, General Superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association of Raleigh and Dr. Wm. A. Brown of the International Sunday School Association of Chicago, Ill., were the principal speakers at the sessions of the institute. Both Mr. Sims and Dr. Brown got direct from Salisbury to Greensboro to begin a similar institute with the workers there. The meeting at Greensboro will open Wednesday afternoon, February 1.

During the four weeks that Dr. Brown will be in North Carolina assisting the State Superintendent in meetings, conventions have already been held in Raleigh, Asheville, Burlington, and Charlotte. Institutes will also be held in Greensboro, Winston-Salem and Charlotte. In this kind of institute Mr. Sims stated that meetings held in previous years had been fine but said the Salisbury institute was even better than any held previously.

WOMAN TRAFFIC COPS PROTECT CHILDREN

Washington, Feb. 1.—Alarmed by the increasing number of street accidents to school children and realizing that the police force in Washington is not adequate in size to demands made upon it for enforcing traffic laws, women of the Capital City have had themselves appointed "cops" for the protection of children at corners where school children go to and from school.

In full cooperation with the police department 100 women are now wearing white arm bands and standing in the streets near schools regardless of weather, to help automobile and street car traffic to let school children by in safety. The "cops" are provided with notebooks to note numbers of offending automobiles which violate obey signals, and the police department makes arrest in all reported violations.

CARRIED WHISKEY TO HIS WEDDING, LOSES BRIDE AND FREEDOM

Boston, Feb. 1.—Antonio Silva, arrested at Springfield two weeks ago with six quarts of moonshine that he was bringing to his own wedding, and held in jail there since then, lost not only his liquor but his bride.

When his case came up in the Federal court here on the charge of illegally possessing liquor Silva pleaded guilty and the Court was about to declare sentence when the Prosecuting Attorney announced that Silva's bride-to-be had married another man.

SCORE FIREMEN OVERCOME

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 1.—Nearly a score of firemen were overcome today by smoke while fighting a blaze in a building of the National Biscuit Company in a downtown district. Although they were removed to hospitals none are said to be in a serious condition. Half a dozen alarms from the fire section of the city kept the departments busy late last night and early this morning. The entire loss, however, will not be approximately over \$100,000.

Will Power Won a Place In Grand Opera for Her



ELIZABETH LENNOX

(By Ruth Abeling) New York, Jan. 31.—Elizabeth Lennox, a minister's daughter, and a few years ago a resident of Grand Rapids, Mich., used to help with the church music by playing the piano and organ.

But Miss Lennox couldn't sing. She couldn't carry a tune. Today Elizabeth Lennox is one of the few really successful American singers. She has been in grand opera and is now on concert tour.

Elizabeth Lennox wanted to sing more than anything else in the world. "A soprano voice was needed in the choir of my father's church," says Miss Lennox. "I tried to fill the place and found that I couldn't sing at all."

"These were dark days for me," continued Miss Lennox. "to sing was the only thing I really wanted to do."

TO ADJUST SENATE AND HOUSE SPLIT

Washington, Feb. 1.—Early adjustment of the differences between the senate and house on the measure to authorize the refunding of the \$11,000,000,000 foreign debt is looked for today, following passage of the senate bill.

Three Republicans—Borah, LaFollette and Norris—joined with the solid Democratic minority in opposing the bill which was put through the senate last night by a vote of 39 to 25 giving authority to a commission of five members, headed by the secretary of the treasury, to refund the foreign debt into securities maturing in not less than 25 years.

The bill as passed was amended by a provision stipulating that the interest on the refunding debt be not less than 4 1/4 per cent.

Among the amendments failing of adoption was one by Senator Simmons, Democrat, of North Carolina, proposing to add to the measure a soldier bonus provision with cost of five way adjusted compensation plan to be paid out of the interest on the foreign debt. Over the protest of the Democrats a motion carried to table the amendment.

SWEPT OFF HIS YACHT; SWEPT BACK AGAIN

Newport News, Va., Feb. 1.—Gordon Woodbury, former assistant secretary of the navy, was swept over the railing of his yacht Half Moon 40 miles off Cape Charles Friday night but was returned by a wave to the ship, it was stated last night when the yacht, formerly the Germania, private yacht of former Emperor William of Germany, was towed to Old Point Comfort in a damaged condition by the Standard Oil tanker Japan Arrow.

Several members of the Half Moon's crew were also swept over the rail, it was stated. All but one were rescued. The Japan Arrow came up a few minutes later and got a tow aboard.

STATE SECRETARY OUTLINES TREATY ON NAVY CUTTING

Resolution Providing for the Sovereignty of China Taken Up at Fifth Session.

Washington, Feb. 1.—At 12:30 o'clock this afternoon Secretary Hughes presented to the arms conference the text of the treaty limiting naval armaments.

To retire time today of the plenary session of the conference—the fifth of its course—had been up to that moment consumed with presentation and adoption of the committee resolutions providing for the return of certain sovereignties to China and announcement of a settlement of the Shantung dispute.

The naval treaty was not read but Secretary Hughes outlined its terms and declared that so far as capital ships were concerned "the integrity of the plan proposed on behalf of the American government had been maintained." Describing the terms of the naval limitation treaty and outlining the result agreed upon by the "big five" followed the dramatic announcement of the American proposal by Secretary Hughes at the opening session of the conference November 12.

Just before presentation of the naval treaty and after the resolution affecting China had been quickly adopted without dissent the Shantung agreement was announced and described with satisfaction by representatives of China and Japan. Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British delegation, described it as "the crowning work of Secretary Hughes and the representatives of China and Japan" and then threw in another surprise by flatly announcing that Great Britain would hand back to China her lease on Wei-Hai-Wei.

Secretary Hughes in presenting the naval treaty said he would not read it because copies had been distributed generally. He then gave a somewhat detailed review of the principal terms and stated that the original American proposal as to capital ships, which changed in detail, and the Great Britain and Japan were adopted substantially. "The integrity of the plan presented on behalf of the United States," said Mr. Hughes, "has been maintained and the spirit in which the proposal is made and received has dominated the entire negotiations and brought them to a very successful conclusion."

There was applause when Secretary Hughes said the United States had retained the number of capital ships proposed on November 12 and that Great Britain and Japan were in a similar situation, the latter with the exception of the new battleship Mutsu. The effect of the retention of the Mutsu, Mr. Hughes continued, made necessary changes in the original American program in which two dreadnaughts of the West Virginia class were to be completed and the battleships North Dakota and Delaware then scrapped.

In the American proposal, Mr. Hughes said, four principles had been governing. They were: First—All capital ships now building and contemplated be abandoned.

Second—That there be further reduction of naval armaments by the scrapping of older ships.

Third—That there be no existing naval strength of the powers.

Fourth—That capital ship tonnage be used as a basis for determining proportions of auxiliary craft.

These four principles Mr. Hughes said had been applied in negotiating the naval treaty and had governed its agreements.

There was a ripple of applause when Secretary Hughes announced that the battleship Oregon would be retained for non-combatant purposes because the state of Oregon wanted to keep it for historical and sentimental reasons.

Mr. Hughes in conclusion said no more extraordinary or significant treaty probably had ever been negotiated. Obviously it means an enormous saving of money and the lifting of very heavy burdens from the people.

"This treaty absolutely ends the race in naval competition, and at the same time leaves the security of power unimpaired, but it means more," said Mr. Hughes. "The best thing is the spirit manifested by which we were able to reach a conclusion. We are taking a great forward step to establish a reign of peace," he concluded.