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ARMS CONFERENCE

TREATIES DISAPPOINTMENT TO THE PEOPLE

(By David F. St. Clair.)

Washington, April 4.—Time alone will determine whether or not the arms conference treaties are worth the paper on which they are written. It is now certain that these treaties will prove a great disappointment to the high hopes of the American people. It has been made clear that they not only furnish no guarantee against war but they will not reduce the tax burden of the country one red cent.

While these treaties were being negotiated here, it is reported on reliable authority that the Japanese government spent a great deal of money in the United States gathering information about our actual and potential capacity to make war. Japanese agents have gathered an immense fund of data upon the progress this country is making in both aerial and chemical science of warfare. They also conducted studies in the habits of the American people, their anthropology, biology and psychology. They were enabled to make such investigations under the shelter of the friendship we had extended to them as our guests.

But aside from anything the Japanese may have learned about our strength or weakness in a war with Japan, the arms conference treaties have not allayed the suspicion the American government has felt as regards Japan. Both the war and navy departments are resisting with all their might the program in congress to reduce their forces. The war department is pointing to the grave danger of cutting down the garrisons at Panama and Hawaii while the navy department is scrapping the big ships and preparing to concentrate the whole fleet in Pacific waters. A part of this opposition to the reduction of the army and navy must of course be attributed to the desire of a horde of officers not to lose their positions but with men at the top with first hand information Japan is still our potential enemy.

The war-making powers of the government are disturbed over the bits in congress to cut their personnel because it is now realized these treaties do not touch the real problem of the Pacific. That problem is to be found in the heart of the Japanese people themselves. These treaties have not eliminated from the bosom of Nippon the burning desire for access of its nationals to the American continent. Every Japanese newspaper since the close of the conference has laid particular stress on "the great failure of the conference, the failure to solve the immigration problem." They complain that that problem should not have been barred from the treaties because it is a domestic question.

According to the views of some of the wisest observers in Washington, the treaty on the limitation of naval armaments, called the Five Power pact, in which so great hopes were centered, will have the effect only in changing the weapons of war. It will scrap capital ships only to stimulate discovery and invention in aermas, chemical and submarine weapons. The treaty will do what time would have done for the capital ships but the development and multiplication of aircraft, poison gasses, under-sea craft and its surface enemies will go on piling burdens on the shoulders of the tax payers.

Already France has determined to increase greatly her submarine fleet. The news has in turn determined Great Britain to increase her fleet of submarine chasers. Only last week a number of British experts arrived here to study the latest developments we have made in poison gasses for war. The development in the agencies of chemical warfare, we are told, no government can control.

So it will be seen, treaties or no treaties, the dance goes merrily on. We are simply disarming ourselves of the old out of date weapons and arming ourselves with the new and more deadly ones. The Washington government is actually fighting harder against disarmament now than it fought two months ago in the arms conference for disarmament. Hypocrisy! Hypocrisy of statesmen but not of the American people who are animated by a great ideal. The optimists rejoice that the world has made a beginning in realizing this ideal. The pessimists shake their heads. Between these two extremes stand those who hope that the treaties will lead the world into some common understanding or league of nations. If the treaties do not so result but on the other hand...

WEEKLY RALEIGH LETTER

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, April 4.—Some of the daily newspapers during the past week have consumed an unnecessary surplusage of printer's ink in magnifying and speculating upon a recent meeting of a few "labor leaders" at Greensboro, where some unauthorized statements leaked out that caused some of the daily paper correspondents to announce that organized labor and the farmers' union would "form a new party" and put up separate candidates for political offices this year in North Carolina in congressional and legislative districts, and in some of the counties.

Prominent representatives of organized labor declare that there is no foundation for any such possible contingency in North Carolina this year or any other year soon. In the first place the national organization of the Federation of Labor put its foot down on any such fool proceedings some time ago, and President Gompers and the organization frown upon it whenever attempted—usually by some of the people who would destroy the union's influence in selecting friendly candidates in the primary contests and at the polls. "That is the object of labor's activities in North Carolina politics, and the limit, no matter what any 'leader' or labor official seeking notoriety for himself may say about it."

To Submit Questionnaire.

Labor will submit a "questionnaire" to certain avowed candidates in the primaries—after the questionnaire shall have been referred to the local unions over the state and approved by the latter.

Censorship for Movies Again.

It appears from the development at a session of the North Carolina Social Service Conference here that the movie picture shows are to be challenged again next winter when the legislature meets, by the advocates of a state censorship.

This is a matter which will interest many people in many towns in the state. Of course there are differences of opinion, and if all the exhibitors would be as careful as some who conduct absolutely clean picture shows, the agitation would die of lost motion. At the last regular session of the legislature, in February, 1921, the fight over this proposed censorship board caused one of the biggest "sensations" of the session.

Managers Leaf Section Tobacco Association.

Richard R. Patterson, manager of the leaf department of the American Tobacco Company, in charge of buying and redrying all bright tobacco in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia for that company, has accepted the managership of the leaf department of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association, according to announcement from the Raleigh headquarters.

Simultaneously with the acceptance of the managership of the leaf department of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association by Mr. Patterson, manager Oliver J. Sands announced that C. B. Cheatam, of Henderson, district manager of the Universal Tobacco Company, has accepted the position of assistant manager and head of the bright leaf department of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association.

To Recover Fish Industry.

Governor Morrison has returned from his trip to eastern North Carolina, where he spent several days especially devoted to looking into the alleged decadence of one of the state's most important industries, and he comes back convinced that the state should get busy reclaiming its own.

The governor called the Fisheries Commission Board into conference in Raleigh and the result of that conference was that the governor was invited to personally visit the sounds and banks and see for himself the problems confronting what should be North Carolina's greatest industry. That was the beginning of the governor's education in the alarming decadence of one of our greatest natural resources.

Years ago, before we thought to enact any fish or fisheries legislation, we permitted Virginia oystermen to come in fleets to the inland waters of North Carolina and carry off our oysters to replenish the oyster beds of Virginia. Our oyster industry was nearly destroyed at a time when North Carolina should have been leading the nation in oyster production. In the meantime immense...

RANDOLPH COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

The Democratic convention for Randolph is hereby called to meet in the court house at Asheboro on Saturday April 15, 1922 at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention at Raleigh, April 20, and transaction of such business as may come before the convention.

The primaries are called to meet at the various voting precincts on Saturday April 8, 1922 for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention and five precinct committees to consider and advise together about candidates for various county and legislative offices.

This March 27, 1922.

C. H. JULIAN, Chairman.
L. F. Ross, Secretary.

SPECIAL MEETING IN M. E. CHURCH CALLED OFF

I regret very much that conditions are such that we think it advisable to postpone the revival meeting at the Asheboro Methodist Protestant church. I do not know now when we will undertake to have the meeting. However, I trust that we will not wait until a specially appointed meeting to make an effort to get unsaved people saved and negligent church members revived. We had been looking forward to a good meeting with a large ingathering on Easter Sunday. We are not now having the special meeting, but we can have the large ingathering. It is possible. Almighty God is not limited to the two weeks preceding Easter. He wants to save people any week or any day. The church makes a mistake that waits and depends altogether on the revival meeting to save the people. May we continue to pray for the unsaved and for church members who have forgotten the promises they made God and the church, and may we have the revival and the ingathering even without a special meeting. There are churches that have professions and additions at their regular services. That ought to be the rule. It would be the rule if the church people were really active and in earnest.

We will have the regular services next Sunday. Sunday school at 9:45, preaching at eleven and at eight in the evening. There will be no mid-week prayer services while the meeting is in progress at the M. E. church. Come to your own church for the regular services and then show your interest in the revival at the other church by attending all the services possible.

I am longing to see the church that will really go to work in earnest for God. It is a sorry business for people, especially church people, to stand off and criticize the church for not doing more than it does when they are not helping the church do its work. The church succeeds in proportion to the human effort put into her services. It can not be any other way. The church people who are faithful in attending every service of the church from which they are not providentially kept are the ones that are doing the little church work that is done. Two church services on Sunday is a little as we ought to ask our souls to live on. Come on, Christian people, let's give God a chance at our lives.

L. W. GERRINGER, Pastor.

ICE PLANT UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THIS CITY

Mr. T. L. Cox, of Greensboro, has been in Asheboro for the past few days superintending the construction of the ice plant. Mr. Cox says that the plant will be ready for operation within two months.

MR. HARRIS REDDING, A PROMINENT CITIZEN, DEAD

Mr. Harris Redding died at his home at Asheboro route 2 Tuesday following an illness of several years. Mr. Redding was one of the foremost citizens of his section of the county. He has been engaged in saw milling practically all of his life. The past few years he has paid special attention to farming and raising hogs and cattle. In early life Mr. Redding was married to Miss Ellen Van Werry. To this union are the following sons and daughters: Mesdames Dave McCain, Asheboro route 2; Geo. W. Brady, Clio, S. C.; Edna Watson, Wagram; G. C. McCain, Willard Wright and Brad Bulla, of Asheboro. Messrs. Grover C. Redding, who lives in Robeson county, Will Redding of Asheboro, Thomas and Joe Redding, of Ashe-

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS

H. P. Black has the contract to cut and saw 1 1/2 million feet of lumber near Staley, and has placed his mill to begin work this week.

Mrs. M. L. Buie spent last week at Greensboro with her daughter, Mrs. Munsey Archer.

C. J. Grimes is erecting an auto repair shop in grove, near old town hall. M. G. Maner made a business trip to Greensboro last week.

Herbert Williams, of near Brewer's Mill, has accepted a position with the Randolph Manufacturing Company, and has moved his family to one of Dr. Fox's residences north of Thomas livery stables.

The town of Franklinville has purchased a new steel road drag.

Mrs. Lonnie Rose, who has been visiting relatives in South Carolina, has returned home.

Mr. Peter Alfred is building a gravel road from his residence to Main street.

R. W. Pool and family spent last Saturday at their old home in Montgomery county.

There was a good attendance at quarterly meeting at M. E. church Saturday evening, and the reports are very encouraging.

E. S. Jones has another fine girl—Ida Catheline, March 30.

Mr. M. N. Nunn, of Sileram was a visitor here last Thursday evening and spent the week-end at Grove hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Pilkenton have moved to the house vacated by M. H. Birkhead, near Wrenn brothers shop.

R. D. Garrison spent Saturday and Sunday with his son, T. H. Garrison, at Greensboro.

Mr. R. T. Sorrell and family, of Raleigh, are visiting Mrs. Sorrell's people in the city.

Mr. Arthur Smith and family, of near Melancthon church, were visitors here last Sunday.

Rev. J. E. Harberson, of Ramseurs, delivered a very interesting address to the Epworth League at the M. E. church Sunday evening.

R. L. Tippet and G. L. Cox, of Greensboro, were the guests of J. M. Tippet Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. D. M. Weatherly, of Randleman high school, were here Saturday evening and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Marley and son, J. C. Marley, spent Saturday evening and Sunday at the home of J. H. Marley at Greensboro.

W. R. Hughes had the misfortune of losing a fine mule Sunday evening.

Rev. W. F. Womble, presiding elder Greensboro district, preached an able sermon to a large congregation in the M. E. church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Hugh Parks, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Jones are on the sick list this week.

Miss Sarah Parks gave a party to several of her friends Saturday evening.

Rev. Thomas Green and Rev. Wm. Cox were visitors in town Sunday evening.

All our farmers and gardeners are taking advantage of the fine weather and are preparing to plant their crop in the near future.

Asheboro Defeats Biscoe.

The Asheboro high school defeated the Biscoe high school at Biscoe 16 to 6 Tuesday afternoon.

The Asheboro nine had their battling eye with them and hammered the old apple to all corners of the field. Kivett pitching for Asheboro, pitched a creditable game up to the fifth inning when a passed ball and a three base hit started a batting rally for Biscoe. Johnson relieved Kivett and held them hitless the last four innings. The hitting of Johnson and Underwood featured.

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Batteries: Asheboro, Kivett, Johnson and Phillips; Biscoe, Paschal and Gilmore.

REVIVAL AT M. E. CHURCH

The revival at the M. E. church is still in progress. Interest grows daily. The Christian people are alive and many of them are really giving themselves to soul-saving work. The unconverted are interested and are talking the meetings. Let us pray that all our people may be saved.

These services will continue till Easter Sunday. On this, the closing day, infants will be baptized and members received into the church.

Let me, again, request all the Christian people to pray and work for these revival meetings.

ANOTHER BONUS BILL

STARTED ON JOURNEY TO DEATH IN SENATE

(By Wallace Bassford, Special News Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., April 5.—The House has at last passed another bonus bill, though almost identical in form with the one passed two years ago and which the Senate laid on the shelf at Harding's request. It remains to be seen what will be done with the present bill, with all of Wall Street opposing it. The bill itself is satisfactory to no one. The soldier whose "adjusted compensation" entitled him to less than \$50 can get it in cash; the others have to take a certificate of indebtedness which finally has due in 20 years. Meanwhile, if he wants to get money, he has to borrow it at a bank and pay a larger rate of interest than the certificate bears, though the certificate is as much the obligation of the government as is a Liberty Bond and should entitle the owner to the lowest rate of interest at which money can be borrowed. It is difficult to understand why the soldier should be allowed to borrow only 50 per cent of the face value of the certificate; almost any bank will lend 75 per cent of the market value of a certificate of stock in a railroad or industrial corporation if the stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, though these stocks at times fluctuate wildly, and, of course, have much less stable value than the obligation of the United States Government.

Senator Lodge insists that Congress has made a great and glorious record of constructive legislation; the average man on the street thinks that Congress has done practically nothing, and has done it very badly.

The Republicans made a great deal of noise, about a year ago, over the question of reorganizing the Governmental Departments, cutting out much duplication of work and thus saving the taxpayers millions of dollars. A most excellent Congressional Commission was made up for the work, but some time ago the President insisted that he be allowed to place a personal representative in this Commission, a suggestion which was opposed by the two Democratic members, Senator Harrison of Mississippi and Representative R. Walton Moore of Virginia. Nevertheless, the President appointed Walter R. Brown of Ohio, and the Commission made him Chairman. Up to that time the Commission was making excellent progress and gave promise of saving many millions, but Brown served as an anaesthetic of the most powerful sort and the suspicion is very strong that this was the purpose of his appointment. Since that time there has been absolutely nothing done; reorganization is chloroformed. No meetings are being held and work is at a standstill. Thus the administration escapes two embarrassments many hundred of jobs are saved to the party and a number of inter-departmental wrangles are hushed up. Agriculture and Interior were ready to fly at each other's throats over the question of which should control the Forest Service; Interior and Commerce were at daggers points over Alaska; Treasury and Justice were striving to get control over prohibition enforcement; Commerce and Agriculture divided over the Packer's Cattle legislation; and so on down the list. The departmental chiefs are as jealous of each other as a bunch of opera singers. Each is constantly striving to extend his authority, his dominion and the number of his appointments. Rather hard on the poor taxpayer.

There seems to be no end to the Newberry money; it is now the gossip that members of the family, who seem to be mostly millionaires, intend to contribute liberally to the campaign funds of all Republican Senators who have to fight for their seats by reason of having supported Senator Newberry in his contest to hold his seat. There are lively fights now on against Townsend in Michigan, Pepper in Pennsylvania, Poindexter in Washington and Frelinghuysen in New Jersey, for the nomination and other fights yet to begin. Then at the general election the Democrats will go after every scalp that is still in place after the Republican primaries. This should put a heavy strain on the Newberry barrel, for the buying of one seat cost \$200,000. When the...

RANDOLPH COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

On last Saturday a two weeks term of civil court closed with His Honor J. Bis Ray, of Yadon county, presiding. On Monday morning a third week of court began. This week is a criminal term with Harder Clement, Esq., solicitor, prosecuting for the state.

The grand jury is composed of the foreman Shelly Frazier, of Liberty, and 17 others as follows:

W. C. Stout, T. A. Craven, W. A. Rich, Jesse Burgess, D. C. Staley, T. A. Robbins, John W. Smith, S. C. Cox, R. T. Snider, J. C. Allred, Everett Cox, C. H. Craven, W. H. Dean, C. M. Brown, Amos Yates, J. H. Luther, U. C. Ferguson.

The petit jury is as follows: J. M. Osborn, W. L. Kivett, E. R. Jordan, W. R. Lassiter, J. T. F. Beck, W. T. Barnes, Geo. W. Brower, D. A. Vuncannon, F. H. Gallimore, Abe Foust, J. T. Council, Zeno Cox, D. N. Trogdon, K. B. Albright, A. E. Hepler, Jasper Cranford.

The following cases have been disposed of as we go to press:

The case against Pearly Hurley and Andrew Hurley, charged with making liquor, was removed to Montgomery county.

Judgment was suspended upon a plea of guilty against A. W. Millikan for making liquor.

The case against Mrs. R. D. Bost for keeping a bawdy house was continued for the absence of the defendant, who was called out and her bond forfeited.

John Ledwell pleaded guilty of selling liquor and Earl Staley did likewise, neither of whom have been sentenced.

James Cagle, of Salisbury, pleaded guilty to having too much liquor, but judgment of the court has not yet been made.

Dennis Richardson was convicted of receiving a stolen auto tire.

Henry Lee and Alpha Glidwell, of Rockingham county, pleaded guilty. Male defendant not sentenced, female defendant to be set to Samaritan reformatory.

Henry Rains, charged with an attempt at rape, pleaded guilty to an assault on a female under 18 years of age, a white girl, defendant to be sentenced later.

Millard Rankin pleaded guilty to assault.

A Frank Cagle pleaded guilty of operating a slot machine at Seagrove. Charles Privett and Irene Capps, charged with fornication and adultery, defendants not yet sentenced.

Several cases were continued until next term. Court will probably continue throughout the week.

MRS. HENRY YOW, OF SEAGROVE DIED IN HIGH POINT

Mrs. Henry Yow died at the High Point hospital Saturday evening. She had been sick only a few days. She was taken suddenly and was taken to the hospital early Friday morning. It was hoped that an operation would save her life but she was too weak to stand the operation. Mrs. Yow was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Russell, of Seagrove. She was a most estimable young woman. She is survived by her husband, five children, ranging in ages from eighteen months to eight years, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Russell, of Seagrove, and the following sisters and brothers: Misses Mattie, Bertha, Pearl, Ina and Lena Russell, of Seagrove, Mrs. J. R. Auman, Union township, R. H. Russell, of Lacombe, La., Charles, Clyde, Crell and Lane Russell, of Seagrove. The funeral service was conducted at Seagrove after which burial followed. Rev. Davis, of High Point, conducted the funeral and burial service.

DR. F. C. CRAVEN SPECIALIST OPENS OFFICE IN ASHEBORO

Dr. F. C. Craven has opened offices on the second floor of the Bank of Randolph building. Dr. Craven will be in his office in Asheboro Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday each week. He has for a number of years been practicing his profession eye, ear, nose and throat in Ramseur and will continue his work there. He has had wide experience and splendid training and comes to Asheboro highly recommended.

dent can only control the House when he asks it to do so.