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Treaty Makers At Lausanne Seeking Harmonized Views NOW PERMANENT

SOME SUGGEST Carolina Leading

Few More Stormy Sessions Will Break up the Conference.

ISMET PASHA SEES ALLIED LEADERS

lies Determined to Ighore Russian Attempts to Speak for Turks.

LAUSANNE, Dec. 5.—(By The Associated Press.)—The treaty makers at Lausanne devoted themselves today to an attempt to har nize the divergent views of the arious delegations; everybody emed to realize that a few more cetic sessions like that of yester y would break down the conferay would break down the conter-ence and postpone Near Eastern peace indefinitely. The Allied lead-ers held long consultations to frame a common project for deal-ing with the Dardanelles and are

The indications tonight are that the straits discussion will be resumed tomorrow when the entents countries will fall in with the Turkish suggestion and sat form their wishes. The Allies seemed actermined to ignore the Russian attempt to speak for Turkey and are determined also to convince the Russian representatives that bolshevik Russia is not dominating the straits discussion. The fact that Imet Pasha conferred with that Imet Pasha conferred with the Allied leaders helped to atrengthen the impression that if the conference is not yet out of danger it at least is not yet on the

Another feature of the day was the Christians in Constanti-

ve drifted so far apart on the sat leaves of the Near East Conce that the pessimists have a sitful field for unhappy prognostations of a complete collapse of a pourpariers and the resumption of war in southeastern war in southcastern

such a culmination of the con-ence discussions could easily be used as a strong possibility, bu-such argument based on a as such argument based on a private citizen of France and assessment hypothesis would leave if the fact that Europe needs to the President, but to pay my act and that Turkey has containly proclaimed her need for if Clemenceau's picture of containing and president of the process of the containing and the containing a lding up international relations

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Construction of Dam for Beaver Lake Also Assured by Negotiations.

Construction of the dam for Beaver Lake, covering at least 60 acres, as a part of the develop-ment of Begverdam Valley by the

had made satisfactory arrange-ments for the purchase of the rail-road and the sale has been com-

pleted. While Dr. J. M. Crawford, one of the Weaverville residents inter-ested in the company, declared that a conference of those interest-

In State Records As to Birth Rate

ESTABLISHED 1868.

Decline in Births and Increase in Deaths in Nation At Large.

The birth rate for the first six months of this year was 22.7 per 1.000 population, while for the same period of 1921 the rate was 24.8 and for the whole of last year 24.3. North Carolina had an highest rate for the half year, it tring 30, while Virginia was second with 27.5. Vermont had the lowest rate. 18.1.

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The death rate for the six months ending June 30 this year tern was 12.6 per 1,000 population, while for the same period of 1921 to the rate was 12, and for the whole

reported to have succeeded in classifier a proposal permitting a proposal permitting warships to use the straits under other control.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5--(By The Associated Press.)—Georges Clemenceau visited the White House today and talked with President Harding for 40 minutes. But the subject near his heart— American participation in European affairs—did not come up.

The visit was described at the
White House as merely a social
call of courtesy at which it was
said, serious problems of State

were not discussed.

The Tiger said tonight it was a delightful visit" during which he gave the President his views about European conditions in general. He emphasized he did not ask the President for any assurances, pointing out that he was merely a private citizen of France and as-

ditions overseas had any effect on the Administration's foreign pollcies, it was not indicated in com-ment at the White House leter on the general unscaled conditions which provoked feelings of genuine gespair on the part of the conference leaders.

So long as no actual break occurs there is hope that time will be great—already was being exerted in a manner believed to be in har-

He was smiling broadly when he emerged from the executive offices where he had been received and chatted so volubly with Jules J. Jusserand, the French ambassador who had presented him, that he forgot his hat and had to return for it. It was his "tube"—the formal high hat which he had out the large are only once before.

Beaver Lake, covering at least 56 carres, as a part of the development of Beaverdam Valley by the Lakeview Corporation and continued operation of the Asheville and East Tennessee Railroad is assured under negotiations now being completed, it was announced Tuesday.

S. Sternberg, who purchased the Weaverville line at auction, stated last night that those interested in the new company being formed had made satisfactory arrangements for the purchase of the rail-

It had been expected that the ft had been expected that the french war premier would drive to Woodrow Wilson's "S" Street home from the White House but the visit was postponed until tomorrow afternoon to serve the

ial Legislation in the Southern States

MORE RESEARCH WORK IS FAVORED

First to Recover, Agriculturally.

washington, Dec. 5.— (By The Associated Press.)—A deciting birth rate and an increasing death rate for 1922 as compared with 1921 were forecast to day by the census bureau which based its calculation on records for the first six months of the year for the registration area of the country, comprising about \$2 per cent of the total population of the Courses.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 5.—Permanent organization of the Southern Cott wo years has operated as an unofficial body to consider the problems of the cotting growers and to suggest remedies for many of the life from which the industry has suffered, was unanimously decided upon at the closing session here late toda yof the Southern Cotton Congress.

Legislation providing for the

Taking for granted the adoption of such legislation, the permanent organization was formed with the O. Everett, Durham, N. C., as the Chairman and Thomas B. King, of Mamphis, as Secretary.

A legislature program for the cotton producing States which will have the backing of the Commission and which looks toward closer co-operation of the States with the United States Department of Agriculture in all matters replaints to the eradication and control of crop pests, quarantine laws and also for making the recommendations of the Department and of the Cotton Commission effective in the various States, was drafted and approved. It was the understanding of the delegates, officers said, that each State would seek to have adopted that part of the legislative program which was receded to supplement or strength.

So long as no actual break occurs there is hope that time will bring conciliatory views. That the world statesmen who were the world statesmen who were fully in touch with the situation. As to the question of American mandates over territory once a part of the Ottoman empire, the President was said to "rejoice" that the United States had not assumed a responsibility. The executive was represented as feeling that America could not take upon its shoulders responsibility for directing the affairs of the world. Clemenceau apparently enjoyed his talk with the President, which was the first event of a full day. He was smilling broadly when he emerged from the executive offices Through Window Bars

Through Window Bars and Disappears.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Ar-hour Lee Phillips, husband of Mrs. Clara Phillips, convicted "hammer murderess" who escap-"nammer murderess" who escaped from the Los Angeles county
jail early today, was eld in technical custody pending further developments tonight, according to
announcement from the sheriff's
office.

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Will Get Behind Benefic- Nash Rules Grady Not Ineligible for Alleged Af-filiation With Body.

CATHOLIC BUILDING BURNED IN CANADA

Wallace Tells South It Is Montreal Mayor Has Purported "Klan" Messages Threatening Fires.

COTTERN NEWS BURNEY
TARRESCORE BOTHL
(Sy BROUTE BARKLEY)
RALEIGH. Dec. 5—"There is no
law that would prevent Judge Henry A. Grady from taking his oath. Assistant Attorney-General Frank Nash declared today when asked for an opinion as to the existence of any legal barrier against the Clinton lawyer's assumption of the Sixth Judicial District bench, to which he was elected November

Statesman Will Call on Wilson and Address
Southern Society Today.

Washington, Dec. 5.—(By The Associated Press.)—Georges

Seek to have adopted that part of the legislative program which was needed to supplement or strengthen existing laws or which might be made necessary by developments in the future.

Legislation for More
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The Commission went on recipied for as strongly endorsing any legistics, and the control of as strongly endorsing any legistics. The Commission went on recipied for more research work, both by the Department of Agriculture at the States which would aid the Cotton growing in increasing of improving his yield or in the control of thisser pests. The pressing aced for additional experimental stations for the study of cotton enemies and diseases was stressed. At the closing session, Secretary at the cotton growers.

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proved an individual joined for a like motive.

So, as matters stand now, Judge Grady can tell those who are after his judicial scaip to, keep hands off. He can take his oath and sit on the bench and at the saem time lead the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina. That in doing this he is carolina. That in doing this he is not violating the law is definite, according to Mr. Nash. Whether it constitutes an unsafe situation and against the public good is a matter for public determination, and the Legislature may bring it up next month. That would call for a determination as to the good or evil of the Klan, however, in

or evil of the Klan, however, in advance of a judgment as to Mr. Grady's stand.

The principal object raised to Judge Grady is the judiciary participation, of all other government agencies, in an order of the character of the Klan and the fact that is supposed to be its beed added. he is supposed to be its head adds

and American Los angeles. Dec. 5—Armour L. Phillips, whose wife, Clara Phillips, convicted murderess, escaped file and im the Los angeles County jail last night, appeared at the office of her attorney late today and sent word to the sheriff's office he was ready to be interviewed about the escape.

The PRICELESS HISTORIC

OKA. Quebec, Dec. 5—Priceless historic records of the early days of New France, removed to this williage in 1821 for preservation, were lost today in a fire that swept the rest house of the Gentleman of St. Sulpic, part of which was used as a presbytery for the parish. The property damage was estimated at nearly \$100,000. The Sulpician Church, next to the burned building and the convent of his movements for the past 24 hours.

Clara Phillips, whose wife, Clara Phillips, who escaped from the Los Angeles.

COMMISSION ON KLAN RELATIONS Progressive Bloc Gets Favorable Report; COTTON AFFAIRS NO BAR TO JUDGE Would Have Direct Election Of Preside Would Have Direct Election Of President; Opposition From White House Is Met With

THE APPEAL IS HEARD

BY BILLY BORNE



Will Investigate Alleged Control Of Weevil Poison

Declare Combination of Pro ducers Exists On Control and Supply.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The Department of Justice today ad-vised Senator Harris, Democrat, Department of Justice today advised Senator Harris, Democrat, Georgia, that an agent would be appointed to investigate charges that a combination of producers exists to control the suppiar and price of calcium arsenate, used by the farmers in fighting the holl weevil which destroys cotton.

Special Assistant Fowler advised Senator Harris that "the Department is anxious to aid the farmers of the South all it possibly can in the matter and as guickly can in the matter and as quickly

thorough investigation of the sit-uation will be made." Senator Harris requested the Attorney General and Federal Trade Commission to make an investiga-tion but the latter said they were

Civic and Benevolent Organizations Pledged to Forward Movements.

RALEIGH, Dec. 5.—

try to secure adequate treatment for the crippled children of North Carolina and to support actively a bill for State-wide mothers' aid together with endorsement of a say possible epidemic. Mr. Taylor in bill raising the age of consent and providing equal protection for to both sexes and another to give of children and also approval of art poor programs for improvement of the programs for their response to the appeals for aid.

Sanatorium

Knights of Pythias, Junior Order ed Press and B. P. O. E. and the North Car-olina . Legislative Council of at large.

Wemen.
This meeting was called to consider the problem of child welfare in North Carolina by Roger Moore. the was postponed until to combrow attended the company, declared that a conference of those interests the combrow at the

Governor Morrison, who was to have arrived here tonight, sent a message of Mayor Edward Clark in which he stated he would not arrive until tomorrow when he would be accomparied by State Highway Commissioner Frank N. Page. The Governor stated he would then make a survey of the

Mayor Clark tonight stated that the highway commissioner would be requested to give assistance in be requested to any sanctioning a road building pro-ject which would furnish employ-ment to several hundred unemment to several hundred unem-ployed negroes and ald road con-struction in this rection, Governor Morrison, Senator Simmons and others_are to be asked to bring their influence to bear on the com-missioner to grant this plea.

Carter Taylor, chief of the Southern division of the Red

Ing of representatives of civic and benevolent organizations from various cities in the State which was held here today.

Organizations represented were the Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions Lions Clubs, Masons, Odd Fellows, Knight, of Parklas Luster Ordan. Mayor Clark told The Associated Press tonight that he wished to

> PLAN WAGE SETTLEMENT FOR BITUMINOUS WORKERS

express his gratitude to the state

Geologists Asking Why and How Land Sank Into a Lake

Point of Land 30 Feet High, and Covering Four Agres Disappears.

Failure to Deliver Annual
Message on Convening
Brings Discussion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—A

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—A precedent established early in the history of the republic, was broken by President Harding today when by President Harding today when he failed to deliver his annual message to Congress which was convened in regular session. It has been the custom for the chief executive to deliver their messages in person or in writing on either the first or second day of the session, according to officials of the capitol, the only time this practice has been broken heretofore was in 1855, when President Plerce deferred his message until the last

speaker.
At the White House it was stated unnecessary and in some cases that the President probably would deliver his message on the state of Mr. Harding, it was said, redeliver his message on the state of deliver his measage on the state of the Union Thursday or Friday Officials did not indicate the cause of the delay, although it is understood that the executive having all responsibility for his recommendations to Congress, was tweighing carefully the program he would outline before the Senate and House in joint session.

Mr. Harding, it was said, regarded the present procedure under the constitution whereby a new Congress does not meet for more than a year after its election as one of the wisest steps taken by the nation's founding fathers as it allows passions to cool.

The agriculture committee in its report, however, took an opposite

would outline before the Senate and House in joint session.

Pressure of public business was believed to be in part responsible for the delay but there were also intimations that the President because of recent official discussions felt it would be the part of wis dom to give a few more days study to certain questions.

There was a suggestion that emorg these questions was a plan for legislation to aid the farmers. The President discussed this subject late last week with Senator Watson of Indiana and a dozen other Republican Senators and it was believed possible this program had not been worked out in all its details and that more time would be required to put it in final form. The executive also discussed the immigration question at length with his cabinet today and it was indicated that he might in his message also discuss this subject from the standpoint of restriction. The shipping bill and annual appropriation measures are already listed for disposal at the present sension.

Qualified Electors Would Vote Direct for President Under Plan.

CHANGE WOULD BE CONSTITUTIONAL

Would Change Date of Beginning of Tenure and of Inauguration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 .- Mem bers of the new Progressive Bloe in Congress got into action today but at the very outset ran into White House opposition.

White House opposition.

Led by Senator Norris, Republican, Nebraska, blow members sitting on the Senate Agricultural Committee obtained a favorable report from that committee for a constitutional amendment providing for abolition of the electoral college and for direct election of President and Vice-President and for abolition of the long period of time usually elapsing between a Congressional election and the regular meeting of the new Congress ular meeting of the new Congress. Such an amendment forms one of the planks in the platform adopt-ed by the bloc at its organization

meeting last week.
Opposition on the part of Pres Opposition on the part of President Harding to any such change in the constitution was expressed by a White House spokesman soon after the Senate Agriculture Committee resolution was laid before the Senate and assigned to a place on the calendar of husiness. Same administration leaders in the Senate likewise voked their disapproval of the amendment and tonight it appeared that any efforts by the bloc to press the proposal might bring on a fight which would test the power of the Progressive faction.

Morrison Due There Today—Road Construction
Will Be Sought.

NEW BERN, Dec. 5.—(By The Associated Press.)—Aided by citizens of all walks of life, hundreds of the men made homeless by last Friday's fire which swept nearly 46 blocks of the city and razed more than a thousand buildings today began the work of clearing away the debris. Dynamite was used extensively to lower walls and chimneys which survived the blaze.

Governor Morrison, who was to get the survey of the spot showed the highest number, not exceeding the highest number and thouse the highest number and the provide appending the choice of each State for provide and vice-President. The provide appe

the highest number, not exceed-ing three, on the list ow those voted for as President." The vote for Vice-President would be canfor Vice-President would be canvassed in a similar manner, except that in event of no choice by
majority of the voters the Senate
would select that official as between the two persons receiving
the largest number of votes.

The committee in reporting the
amendment resolution through its
Chairman, Senator Norris, pointed
out that the proposed system
might result in the election of a
President and Vice-President
from different parties—"a maiter of fundamental justics we

The amendment would further

provide that the terms of Sena-tors and Representatives should begin the first Monday in Jamusry following the biennial Congres-sional election and that Congress

deferred his message until the last in January.
day of December because of the inability of the House to organize. At that session it required 135 the proposal represented the exballots of the House to elect its