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Thirty- four Deaths as Result of Storm in Mississippi Valley.

VILLAGES DESTROYED.

Two Towns Almost Completely Wiped Out; Large Property Damage.

and early today, according reports received here tonight.

La., were almost comdestroyed, reports stated. One and six negroes were killed when a store filled with shoppers collapsed. More persons were reported injured Several negroes, injured there, to Memphis hospitals for here it was stated several

ise Parish, La., Mrs. Mary white, and six negroes residing Spain plantation were killed. Two ers of the Spain family were

killed and more than a he storm first struck in eastern Ar-

areas and continuing southward, pass through northwest Mississippi and at times reached 75 miles an hour, lith wires down and virtually all

ad time to escape. Many of the injured

circles, who set the number of dead octors and nurses were rushed to little hamlet and relief parties ormized for other sections in the path of

For Spain, of the Tisdale Plantation.

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Soviet Covernment bearing in such gentle language. st of transportation and the orage in Russia.

LLOVE GEORGE NOT COMING. la, Dec. 24—Premier Llyod-Great Britain will not visit d States this Winter, accord-George R. Wynn, secretary of mmittee in charge of arrangefor the Philadelphia Eisteddfod Pestival, who announved totely that the Premier will not

"GREATER



Eugene V. Debs.

EUGENE V. DEBS HAS KIT PACKED

Expected to Start Homeward Journey Sunday; Friends Jubilant.

By JACK R. HORADY.

United Press Staff Correspondent. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24.—Eugene Debs packed his old traveling kit to-

Tomorrow he expectse to be homeward bound, friends stated. enta Federal prison, where he has been confined for more than two and a half years, is ready to leave for his home at Terre Haute, Ind., immediately after

Friends predicted he would be released tomorrow. No announcement as to the time of his release was made. case—was neatly pressed for the trip by

the prison tailor late today.

in prison-was spent by Debs in performance of the usual routine work assigned to him in the hospital ward. Only prison attaches were permitted to talk

AMERICAN SOCIALISTS PLAN FOR HOMECOMING OF CHIEF

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 24.-The night pefore Christmas was Bastile day for American Socialists. The vanguard of adherents of Eugene

lease from Atlanta prison. Mrs. Debs-Gene's Kate he left behind because of utterances made during

man, of Dayton, Ohio, who planted himself on the back perch and announced he "wouldn't leave until Gene Debs Mrs. Debs. who rose from a sick bed

Terre Haute for the homecoming.

of wealth and position and were spread exact loss of life in Morehouse over a page. They all spoke the same annot be estimated, but it is sentiment, however differently express-

Thousands of miners, whose favorite story about Debs concerns the time he killed on a plantation near took off his overcoat on Main street one Christmas eve and gave it to a man own of Marks, swings and who had none, prepared to welcome blown down and a heavy Debs, who is supposed to get in some ed streets and ran into stores, time Monday with the rumble of the

However, much credence is given to reports that he may slip into Terre Haute to avoid the big homecoming I that is to be staged. Arthur Bauer, Terre Haute business man and brother-in-law of Debs, stated tonight he had received a telegram from ks Belen electric light line. He Socialists in New York indicating that Debs had left Atlanta already or would

"The Government," said Bauer, "may the wire, causing instant have requested Debs to leave unannounced to prevent any demonstrations

> Debs' reception as now planned will be as exclusive as the depot in which it will be held. Business men and those of the professions will mingle with the comrades. It will not be a question of political belief. It will be Gene Debs'

Mrs. Debs will not go to the depot. "I want to meet Gene when no one is offerers in the Volga val. around," she said, "right here in the

earned from an official house in which we have lived for thirty She vividly remembers when Debs

American Relief Administration Debs who did not grumble because he struck three Mississippi counties the purchases in America. would not reach here on :Christmas day. food relief already distributed Some thought it was a bit disconcerting with funds secured by that the President did not see fit to free appropriations. The Debs so he could be home for Christmas. Others did not clothe their thought

But Mrs. Debs smiled, as the day she has awaited for over two years was close at hand. The gates of the Atlanta Bastile were about to swing outward.

EGYPTIAN RIOTING HALTED. Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 24.—Rioting wheih broke out at Gisa in Egyptian national Pestival, who announved to-demonstrations, had been halted to receipt of a cablegram stating night by British troops rushed to the scene from Cairo. Five natives were killed and twenty wounded.

TAKES Given Freedor or DESPITE WORLD SENATORS SEEK His Christmas Gift TRAGEDY THERE RECOGNITION OF IS HOPE TODAY RUSSIAN SOVIET

Better Things Coming in the Future.

New World-Power is Different from the Old in Its Attitude.

BY MAXIMILIAN HARDEN, Germany's Foremost Publicist. Staff Correspondent of The News.

Special Cable Dispatch to The News opyright, 1921, by News Publishing Co. Berlin, Dec. 24 .- "Peace on earth,

So ran the song of Bethlehem centuries ago. And, like the unheeding Romans of old, shall we say that Christmas comes again to a world distracted and torn with strife. Shall we say that peace and good-will have not arrived despite the efforts of three continents? Shall we say that the

In other words, are we as deaf as the Roman world was during the latter days of Caesar. Is it that the mul- armament conference and the four titude of events, whirling cinema-like | power Pacific treaty. They maintained before our eyes, blunts our powers' strongly independent views as to the perception so that we do not see the exclusion of Russia and Germany from importance of the happenings about the conference and whatever pacts are

Volga. Hordes of orphans wander seeking food like wild dogs, fighting in the village streets over the flesh of dead bodies. We read all of this with a sigh and turn the page.

REVOLTING CORRESPONDENCEE.

the readers who think that any Germans finding pleasure in such a heap of uncruths and calumines are incapable of improvement and unworthy of pity. Millions of Germans turn away ilmost with physical disgust from this wretched, cunning repetition of lies repudiated a thousand-fold. Other personal effects were being

But, are the ugly spots in the world picture the most important? Great hings are happening. The center of the world's history has moved west-Between the Atlantic and Pacific today stands the world-power held for centuries by the Mediterranean

Its order cancels treaties and makes aws for the people in the depths of Asia and the northernmost parts of Laws which are no longer pased on national greed and a thirst for power. Three great powers agree o a program lessening the tax burden

as well as the danger of war. road to settlement. Remembering the House of Lords' hard rejection of Mr. war-time-met her husband's cronies Asquith's "home rule" project in 1913. one can well appreciate England's desire today for an understanding in all things with the United States.

So, during these last months of 1921. more has been done for world pacificafor the occasion, and her appearance tion than in many centuries. It is true, was that of a rare cameo, read hun-much is left Even the most casual States and England, in Switzerland and Holland? Germany, although she year as in 1913, and has given employment to everybody free of military service, nevertheless is obliged to declare that she cannot pay the next bil-

But this was expected. Despite her industry, Germany has attained but 50 per cent of her pre-war exportation. strength for the continual payment of such huge sums? Our war adversaries are competing with our metal chemical and textile industries and no country from the Rhine to the Black Sea, from Lake Constance to Siberia

money of international value. Only a non-political conference of world economists can solve this greatest of all problems of the day. But all of our distress and worr must not blind our eyes to the splendor of the star which led the Eastern kings to the manger, nor deafen our ears to the shepherd's hymn on the field of Bethlehem. Humanity, indeed has taken a step forward. Again a child is born. It moves gently from its manger. Seldom has humanity been able to look at Christmas-tide with more hope of world betterment than is promised by the present peace

THIRTEEN KILLED IN MISSISSIPPI TORNADO

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 24.-Thirteen from the old Czarist treas- came home from jail back in '93. He dead, a score injured, and thousands of dollars worth of property damaged Mrs. Debs was the only one close to was the toll of today's tornado which Quitman, Leflore and Yazoo.

The dead were all negroes, with the exception of William V. Turner,

Maximilian Harden Sees Russia and Germany Must Be Given Consideration By the Conference.

LOOKS TOWASHINGTON NECESSARY TO PEACE.

Action Planned at Conference of Republican and Democratic Senators.

BY J. BART CAMPBELL.

International News Staff Correspondent Washington, Dec. 24.-An organized movement for the recognition of the Russian Government by the United States and the inclusion of both the Russian Governments in the armament conference before it concludes its deliberations was planned tonight at a conference of Republicans and Democratic Senators. They declared that no permanent peace could be devised with Europe being taken into consideration While the group of Senators included some of the "irreconciables" by Borah or Iadho. Regublican, were present Senators of both sides who were favorably disposed toward the

evolved from sands are starving in the valley of rartisan Republican, declared that while he was lisposed to support the lasting peace because apparently those nations participating had failed to consider the tremendous potentialities of the millions of people who are included within the borders of Russia and Ger-

many alone.' "I can see some merit in the aims o the conference and even in the fou power treaty," Senator Ladd said the first announcement he has made his position, "but I cannot see ho either can accomplish the good result that the President has in mind unles both Russia and the nations of centra Europe are given a voice in whatever plans are mapped out for permanen

CANNOT ASSURE PEACE.

"Until Russia and Germany, at least are included in the decisions of the con ference, I fail to see how there can be peace either in Europe or in Asia and the Pacific. The four-power treaty while it is supposed to concern only the island possessions and island dominion of the United States, Great Britain an Japan in the Pacific, is bound, in my judgment, sooner or later to involve Russia, if not Germany. It should be orne in mind that, under the construc tion placed on the treaty by the Ameri many miles from the Pacific coast line of Russia, must present to the Rus sian people not only a possible barrier to free access to the Pacific, but a fu

ture menace of possible war. "Russia, because of her Asiatic pos sessions, is a much closer neighbor t Japan proper than either the United States, Great Britain or France and, the Pacific and with Japan can make for jermanent peace unless Russia is signatory to it. I believe the same to been in frequent conflict with the Rus ture time the Russian people may reas sert their claims to territory which many think is Russian and over which the Japanese flag now flies.

"We know that Great Britain has virtually recognized the Russian Government; is dealing directly with Rus sia. We would be blind, fatally blind i or any other foreign nation which die not either include both Russia and Germany, or at least, take them into consideration.

"I should regret having to vot against the four-power Pacific treaty or any other decision of the conference af-

(Continued on Page Two) CHILD INJURED BY GIANT FIRECRACKER SACCO AND VANZETTI

Statesville, Dec. 24.-James Walke: five-year-old son of N. M. Walker of Hiddenite. Alexander county, is in a local hospital probably fatally injured from his experience with a large fire-When the cracker exploded, the lad's left hand was blown off, the ball of his left eye perforated and a hole was torn completely through his for the murder of a South Braintree abdomen, just above the liver, and a paymaster and his guard. piece of cloth was forced into the liver.

SEVENTEEN BOYS AND announced that he would permit the defense to file exceptions on his de-GIRLS PUT TO DEATH cision of today denying the new trial. Judge Thayer's decision covered 30

Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 24.—According This decision was made on motions to a report received here from the filed several months ago and is inde-Mexican border late today, 17 Mexican pendent of supplementary motions boys and girls, together with a priest, made when the hearing opened today. were masacred in the State of Tlax- The original motions dealt with points plantation owner fo Quitman county, cala, Mexico, by a gang of bandits. It of law and what counsel for the conand two white men killed at Vaughn, was said a posse had picked up the victed men termed insufficient evi-Yazoo county. was said a posse had picked up the victed men termed insufficient evi-

No Issue of The News Monday

There will be no issue of The News published Monday, December

This newspaper and its employes will take the day off to spend Christmas at home with their families.

The employes of The News-from President to janitor-wish for you and yours the merriest sort of Christmas and your most healthy, prospreous and pleasant New Year.

New Photo of Mexican President



This new photograph of President Obregon, of Mexico, taken in the Turkish room of the National Palace, was snapped as he awaited the arrival of the international newspaper correspondents stationed in Mexico City. President Obregon, who is said to be of Irish ancestry, is well liked by

City Commissioners Enjoy Equai Rights, Mayor Says

Colombian Treaty

Reported Ratified between Colombia and the United States has been ratified by the Colombian Congress, according to a cablegram received today by the American International Corporation.

But Property Damage Has

Been Enormous.

stream runs out rapidly.

bodies.

Residents of Mill Creek valley were

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ALL ON SAME LEVEL. All Important Matters Are Submitted to the Three

Walker and Stancil Inter-

pret Charter as Giving

Equal Authority.

STREAMS IN OHIO Commissioners. OVERFLOWBANKS That Mayor Walker and Commission Stancill have never acted upor

No Deaths Are Reported larger powers in their respective com missionerships than was allowed the commissioner of public safety was the emphatic statement of both of them Saturday when their views was sought as to the contention that Commissioner Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 24.—Flood wa- Huneycutt enjoys less authority in ers of many streams in the vicinity of his office than the other two commis-

The issue was brought into loca for years, debate by the publication of the state long expe- ment of Messrs. Curry and Bridges. rience. During the past 36 hours 3.32 authors of the bill introduced in the Weather Forecaster Devereaux today which they sought to show that they the status quo-Japan, were merely trying to bring the office "The Ohio River will pass the flood of commissioner of public safety up tage-fifty feet-at Cincinnati late Sat- to the level of authority already aturday. It will continue to rise Sunday, tained in the other two commission reaching a crest stage of between 51

and 54 feet on Sunday. Unless some- VIEWS OF ATTORNEYS

thing unforeseen occurs, the river will become stationary late Sunday. Flood their knowledge of city charters and stages are not expected at other points some of whom have made a special up the question of abolition later if it People living along the Licking River applying here, were of the opinion that appreciation of the motive have moved their property along its the law does not make any distinction ing Britain's request, but noted that banks and hope to save it as the

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Ther's so much other stuff t' read these days that we've decided t' dror The Norfolk county courthouse was Borah. Lafe Bud jest happened t' look under heavy guard during the day's down an' found a quarter this mornin' proceedings. Persons visiting the jest as a young lady wuz goin' t' step building were searched for weapons. | on it.

Makes Slashing Reductions in Present Tonnage of America and Britain.

MAY BREAK DEADLOCK

Britain Accepts the Offer, France and Japan Ask for More Time.

BY CARL D. GROAT,

United Press Staff Correspondent. Washington, Dec. 24.-America gave to the world today a Christmas spirit message-announcement of a proposal for slashing the world powers' tonnag

of deadly submarines Under this proposal, made to owers' arms delegates by Secretary o submarine fleet, making its total 60. 000 tons: Great 000-ton, total while France, Japan and Italy would retain their present Uboat tonnage of 42,850; 31,400, and 20,-

228, respectively This was Hughes' second shell" since the Arms Conference be gan. His first was the dramatic presentation in open session of his plan for imitation of battleship armaments

PROPOSAL A SURPRISE. Today's proposal came as almost as great a surprise as the first. The American group, however, had indicated, generally, that it was ready France and Italy, each 31,500. Britain accepted with alacrity. The other

powers wanted time to consider

nd Secretary Hughes assured the Ital spokesman that the United States nad no objection to Italy being on

narine tonnage of Great Britain and he United States to 60,000 tons and eaves that of other nations at the France in the Arms Conference

neeting today stated it would refer he new plan to Premier Briand at Japan objected to a tonnage of less han 54,000, as first proposed by

Hughes. Under the program announce d today, she would have 31,500. Italy was agreeable to the spirit he new American program but stated he desired to be on a parity with

Secretary Hughes then announced hat a resolution against illegal prac ices in submarine warfare would be ormally placed before the conference

owing America's presentation of th hat a complete agreement on the submarine question would be reached next week along the lines of the American

60,000 tons each for America and During today's meeting of the dis ermament committee Britain formally

study of the present commission form should become feasible. He expressed American naval experts favored keeping submarines. At the same time, he pointed out that within the American public there is an abhorrence of subnarine warfare-as practiced by the

> He was careful, however, to show that the American Government, while not contending for keeping some submarines, was quite ready to follow the principle laid down at the start-curtailment of naval strength in an ef fort to curb war. The French and Japanese offered new difficulties in the way of

settlement, but Secretary Hughes

ermans during the war.

felt tonight real progress had been made, and did not manifest any pes simism as to a final solution The Italians suggested that 31,500 tons would be a satisfactory figure for both France and Italy. The French are agreed that Italy should have a parity with France but the delegation yet in a position to accept the Hughes figure, even though it gives France a better ratio than under the original

Hughes program. Balfour submitted in writing the British request for total abolition so his nation could be on record for the future.

The figures presented for future submarine tonnage, given out tonight, (Continued on Page Fifteen.)



North and South Carolina: Cloudy and much colder Sunday, probably rain on the coast; Monday fair, colder in east portions; fresh northerly winds,