

THE WEATHER

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FOUR-POWER TREATY TERM IS TO BE GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC TODAY

PLENARY SESSION ARMS CONFERENCE WILL TAKE PLACE

Decision to Hold All Important Session Was Reached Last Night.

OF BIG INTEREST

France Agrees to our-Power Treaty to Replace Japanese-Anglo Pact.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—The four power agreement to govern conditions in the Pacific as a substitute for the Anglo-Japanese alliance will be announced at a plenary session of the Washington conference at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

The question naval ratio, it was said tonight, by some foreign delegation's spokesman, will not be taken up at the meeting, at least directly, although it is understood that its relation to the proposed agreement is held to be vital.

Decision to hold the session was reached suddenly tonight at a meeting of delegations spokesmen with Secretary Hughes after the French acceptance of the proposal had been received from Paris.

The four power proposal has now been accepted in principle by the four powers concerned: Great Britain, Japan, France and the United States.

During the day Mr. Hughes gave much of his personal attention to the proposed treaty draft and the American delegation met and considered the latest phases in detail.

Senator Underwood, who has been absent because of the death of his mother, will again take his place in the delegation and as head of the sub-committee considering revision of the Chinese tariff situation.

Primitive-War Conditions.

GENEVA, Dec. 8.—Some idea of the misery and primitiveness of agricultural labor conditions in some parts of Europe was given the International Federation of Working Women during its recent congress here, by the Italian delegate, Signora Casarrelli.

She indicated the low standard of living by suggesting as a program of improvement four recommendations: That agricultural laborers must not sleep in stables, that each worker should have a separate bed, that beds should be aired and rooms heated if necessary, and that men and women must have separate quarters under sanitary conditions.

MANY DEATHS RESULT IN RUSSIA FROM STARVATION

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 9.—Maxim Gorky, Russian novelist and former head of the Russian Relief Commission, told The Associated Press correspondent when he passed through this city on his way to Berlin that he believed the deaths from starvation in Russia would aggregate 35,000,000.

STATE MADE TOWARD HALTING STRIKE OF STOCKYARD WORKERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—Federal and state authorities combined today to stop violence in connection with the stockyards strike.

Four mediators, two from the United States department of labor and two representing the Illinois industrial commission were sent into the stockyards district to try to restore order and bring the strike delegates to deliberations between the packers and the strikers.

There was virtually no disorder in any of the packing centers during the day.

At Kansas City about 3,000 strikers paraded today while in Omaha a packing company in a letter to its employees urged them to organize with their employers on a "50-50 basis."

CON. LANIER WILL AGAIN HEAD CLUB

Re-Elected President of Carolina Club—Other Officers Named—Social Events

The annual meeting of the Carolina club was held in the club rooms on Evans street last evening and it resulted in the re-election of J. Conrad Lanier as president; the re-election of C. F. Manning as secretary, and that of Bruce Warren as treasurer.

The board of governors of the club members decided, will consist during the coming year of W. S. Mays, H. S. Ragsdale, L. J. Smith, L. C. Arthur and D. C. Moore.

It was a well-attended and enthusiastic meeting of the live social organization. I was decide, after some little discussion of tentative plans, to give a banquet during the holidays. Further, for the benefit of the young men of the city, the club rooms will be available for a dance Monday evening following Christmas.

During the consideration last evening of the financial affairs of the club it was found necessary, in view of the rules, to expel three members for non payment of dues.

The door leading into the clubrooms will, in future, be locked, but every member in good standing will have a key and will be able to make use of club conveniences and comforts at any time, day or night.

C. L. Brown, tobacco dealer, was elected a member of the club.

AYDEN FARM LAND BASIS OF TRADE

Deed transferring title to a tract of Ayden township farmlands involved the largest sum of money among the papers filed yesterday at the office of the register of deeds. The amount was \$6,000 and it was paid by J. R. Lewis to E. A. Stanfield and wife for 25.5 acres adjoining the lands of J. L. Lewis, S. T. Lewis and others.

Other deeds filed yesterday were to J. R. Worthington and wife to Richard Worthington, a tract of 196 acres in Ayden township, adjoining the lands of C. H. Rodgers, C. C. Jenkins' heirs and others, \$10 and their considerations.

Emma J. Tucker and husband, S. D. Tucker, to Leona P. Henderson, 45 acres on the Kingston-Greenville road, ownership not stated tract known, however, as the J. B. Hill land, \$3,000. Jessie M. Mills and wife to the Washington-Beaufort Land company, 200 acres in Choccoland township, known as the Thad Spain land, \$10, and other valuable considerations.

R. C. Flanagan and wife to Sterling and Mary C. Henderson, 10.5 eight and nine of Block A of the Riverdale sub-division, Greenville township, \$550.

PITT CHAMBER IS LIVE ORGANIZATION DINNER DISCLOSES

Optimism Prevailed During Dinner of Chamber Thursday Evening.

FINE ADDRESSES H. B. Ramsey, of Rocky Mount, Principal Speaker—Others Heard.

Ignoring any set subject and speaking at what he called random, J. B. Ramsey, of Rocky Mount, delivered one of the best addresses heard in Greenville in many months during the dinner of the chamber of commerce at the Eighth Street Christian church Thursday night.

It was an optimistic meeting, a meeting that the Pitt county chamber of commerce is a live and an alert organization that is striving for the upbuilding of the entire county.

The future of the chamber was discussed by Mr. R. H. Wright, who declared there was no place in the organization for a pessimist. He referred to the county's 50,000 people and approximately \$65,000,000 of wealth as to what could be done through co-operation.

Then came the address of Mr. Ramsey. The person who lives in a community, receiving its benefits and contributing nothing, he said, is too stingy to be worth anything to the community.

"You get out of an organization in proportion to what you put in it," Mr. Ramsey declared, adding "what I put into the Pitt county chamber will come back four fold." He explained his idea that a chamber of commerce is not primarily to promote manufactures, but agricultural interests, the bed rock of all other industries.

"The stronger we make our neighbor, the stronger we become ourselves. These local and district organizations are a stepping stone to one covering the state, which had long enough been held back and paid tribute to neighboring states through discrimination and lack of organization.

Arrest Alleged Killer. WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—Word was received here late this afternoon from Knoxville, Tenn., that J. L. Peaks, former life insurance agent of this city, had been apprehended at that place. Peaks was wanted in connection with the murder of H. B. Ashburn, who succeeded him as agent for the Gate City Life Insurance company, of Greensboro, this state.

SURRENDER



General Pershing surrendered to Adrienne Mayer of Washington and bought his anti-tuberculosis Christmas seals.

CONVICT IS CZAR ARKANSAS PRISON BEFORE ESCAPING

One of Most Sensational Escapes in Annals of Southwest Yesterday.

WARDEN IN CELL

Tom Slaughter and Five Comrades Now at Large in Hills of State.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—Tom Slaughter, considered among the daring desperadoes in the history of the southwest, is at liberty tonight after directing spectacular escape in the early morning hours from the Arkansas state prison which he ruled like a "czar" for five hours.

Slaughter summoned a guard, feigning illness and when offered an extra blanket in his death cell he covered the guard with a gun, disarmed him, then canvassed the prison disarming and jailing the guards as he met.

Before leaving the prison Slaughter went to the adjacent home of the warden and roused him from his bed and forced the warden and his family to return to the prison where they were also locked in the cells.

It was believed that Slaughter and the white man and four of the five negroes who escaped are in the wild hills of Saline county, 30 miles west of here. The fifth negro is believed to be dead, killed, officers say, by Slaughter or one of his men with him, after being wounded in a gun battle staged in the main streets of Benton, Saline county seat today.

In pursuit of the desperadoes is a large posse.

TO MAKE MEMORIAL OF HOME OF THE LINCOLNS

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 8.—Mary Todd Lincoln's home during her childhood days and where she received the martyred president, Abraham Lincoln, will be purchased as a memorial to her and as a museum for preservation of Lincoln furniture, manuscripts and relics now in Kentucky, if plans of a group of interested citizens materialize.

The old Todd home on West Main Street formerly was a saloon and now is a soft drink stand. It is for sale for the first time in years and business interests are trying to get it for some new buildings. Those wishing to secure it for historical purposes have obtained an option on the property and are seeking funds necessary to complete the transaction.

Introduce Bonus Bill. WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—World war veterans who were in the service more than 90 days would receive a bonus of \$1 for each day served under a bill introduced by Representative Rosedale, Republican, New York. Men who were commissioned officers would not receive the officers.

GEORGIA SENATOR MAKES THREATS TO SLAP AN OFFICER

Watson's "Southern Blood" Gets Het' Up Under "Insolent" Gaze of Major.

UPROARS RESULT

Sergeant-at-Arms Demanded to Restore Order—Open Hearings of Hang Quiz End.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—Threats by Senator Watson, Democrat, Georgia, to slap the face of an army officer, Major George W. Cocheu, attached to the general staff, jutting within touch of the senator's elbow through the meeting of the senate committee investigating charges that American soldiers had been illegally hanged in France into an uproar today and brought a quick demand from Chairman Brandegee for a sergeant at arms to prevent a physical clash.

For a moment the utmost confusion prevailed. Above the din of shuffling feet some women hurried toward the door, the voice of the chairman in strident tones, commanded the Georgia senator to sit down or retire from the room. Banging the table with bare knuckles the chairman soon restored a semblance of order, but there was many heated exchanges before the meeting broke up until tomorrow afternoon. The senator's attack on the officer hit the committee like a flash of lightning. There had been no indication that anything of the kind was impending.

After that things settled down a bit. Smiles came back to Senator Watson's face as he explained that he wanted to beg the pardon of the committee if he had acted in an unseemly manner. He added, however, that the officer's, sitting there add gazing at him in "an insolent manner" had aroused his quote "southern blood."

The committee later decided to hear some army officers tomorrow and then adjourned to the open session for a week so as to examine the mass of documents offered by Senator Watson, who had no witnesses on hand today but the committee agreed to summon anyone anybody he felt could give evidence to the illegal hangings.

SCHOOL CASE TO BE HEARD HERE

Action of Annie Smith Against School Heads in Court Here January 16.

The mandamus proceedings instituted by Annie Smith to compel the superintendent and trustees of the Greenville city schools to admit four of her children to the white schools of the city will not be heard by Judge C. C. Lyon at Beaufort today. The answer of the defendants in the action to the complaint of the plaintiff, filed Thursday, raised an issue of fact and caused the matter to be set to open the docket at the regular term of Pitt county court January 16. Thus the case will be tried in Greenville.

It was not necessary for the plaintiff and her attorney or the defendants and their legal representatives to go to Beaufort to get the change made. Yesterday Judge C. C. Lyon, presiding there over a term of court, signed an order making the change. The four Smith children have been barred from the white schools of Greenville by reason of an alleged trace of negro blood in their ancestry. This is denied by the woman, who, after putting the matter before the trustees for some time, started mandamus proceedings during the middle of November. The petition declares the children are white and are entitled to attend white schools, the answer of the answer of the defendants say the children have negro ancestry and are illegitimate.

Whether the effort has gone beyond the 1,000 membership mark remains to be proved. Recently when reports were received the total was under 600, some little distance removed from the minimum goal of 2,000 set at the inauguration of the campaign. In view of the work the Red Cross is doing in Greenville and Pitt county the roll call does not constitute any evidence of appreciation for its efforts. It should have been easy to the number of members desired, if the response to the appeal had been quick and generous. Chairman Gaskins is hopeful, however, that the final reports he calls for today will send the total soaring.

PRINCESS' CHOICE



Viscount Lascelles, otherwise Henry George Charles Lascelles, is to wed Princess Mary of England. She is 24. He is 39 and the eldest son of the Earl of Harewood.

CONSIDER METHOD TO OVERCOME THE DE VALERA FIGHT

British and Irish Leaders Recovering from Surprise of Objection.

PUT PACT ACROSS

Is Chief Aim of Lloyd George and Griffith, Sinn Fein Official

LONDON, Dec. 9.—(Associated Press)—After the first surprise occasioned by Eamon de Valera's repudiation of the proposition for creating the Irish Free state officials in both London and Dublin were occupied today mainly in canvassing the prospect for ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty when it comes before the meeting of the Dail Eireann next Wednesday.

The balance of opinion in both cities appeared to be that Arthur Griffith, as sponsor of the treaty, will obtain an effective majority although it was admitted here that Mr. de Valera possesses a strong following, and that the voting, therefore, may be very close. If Mr. de Valera should be defeated in his fight against ratification, it is thought here he may resign his position as head of the Sinn Fein.

Should matter develop in a plebiscite of the Irish people it is thought there would not be the slightest doubt of a great majority in favor of the treaty.

Prime Minister Lloyd George and Premier Sir James Craig, of Ulster, held a long conference today which was participated in at various times by other ministers. Nothing was made known tonight regarding the result of the conference or even whether there would be a further meeting.

FINAL ROLL CALL REPORTS WANTED

Chairman Gaskins Wants Word from Workers Today to End Drive.

Final reports on the Red Cross roll call drive are requested by Chairman J. C. Gaskins today. Every person who has members to report is asked to do so as early as possible today so that the chairman may compile his final, complete report and forward it to headquarters.

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COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Spot cotton closed quiet. Middling, 18.10; futures closed steady. December 17.80; January 17.67; March, 17.65; May, 17.45; July, 17.01.

KIWANIANS NAME BERT JAMES NEW LEADER OF CLUB

And Accept Offer of Rotarians to Use Their Building in the Future.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Henry White Vice-President; Bill Applewhite, Money Guy Parson Praised

Bert James, well known local attorney, was last night chosen president of the Greenville Kiwanis club for the ensuing year at one of the most important and interesting meetings the organization has as yet held. It was regular election night with the "we builders," but the selection of officials was not made until after good tidings had been received from the Greenville Rotary club—tidings that mean for the present, at least, the Kiwanians will use the Rotary club building for a meeting place.

A "very attractive" proposition was made the Kiwanis club by the Rotarians for the use of the only Rotary club building in the United States, if not in the world. It was accepted, promptly and thankfully. Further, the club was glad to accept the invitation of the Rotarians to be their guests Monday evening, December 19, at the next meeting of the cog wheel fellows.

Barrister Bert James was named president, as stated above, while H. A. White was selected as vice president. Jim Applewhite, seller of shingles and things, was chosen as secretary-treasurer, and Claude Wilson as district trustee. Eight directors were also elected, they being Norman Warren, Charlie Forbes, Ed. Flanagan and Louis Skinner, to serve two years each, and Marvin Shount, Bill Woolard, Jarvis Harding and Ed. Joyner, whose terms will be one year each.

Jim Turner, popular pulpit pounder, retiring president and district governor, who leaves for Mississippi January 1, was neither unhonored nor unsung during last night's meeting. Bert James, Charlie Laughinghouse and Charlie Forbes were named as members of the committee to draft suitable resolutions expressing regret that Parson Jim had found it advisable to put the prefix "ex" in front of North Carolina. A copy of their findings will be given the newspapers and the parson.

During the meeting President Turner was given a vote of thanks for his services as president and best wishes for his success "out yonder" were voiced.

Jarvis Harding, appointed some time ago to look into the matter of having the short stretch of highway near the fairgrounds paved, reported that conferences had been held with city, county and state highway officials and that the work would be started before Christmas.

Two visitors, Dr. K. B. Pace and W. B. Pace, the latter county demonstration agent, were entertained and fed, and heard President Elect Bert James voice his appreciation of the honors conferred upon him and pledge his very best efforts to make a good Kiwanis club president.

A short meeting of the directors was held immediately after the club adjourned, during which it was announced that 100 Kiwanis road signs had been received and would be placed prominently on roads leading to and from the city. Father Raymond Moore is the ramrod of the committee that will place these signs.

FIGHTING PARSON REALLY WAS FIGHTER IN WAR

CHANUTE, KAN., Dec. 9.—The fighting instinct which won for the Rev. Earl A. Blackman, the newly elected national chaplain of the American legion, the title of the "Fighting Parson of the Thirty-Fifth" during a world war, has stood him well hand since he came back to his next-time vocation as pastor of the first Christian church here. Enlightenment gained in his war service created new ideas as to the scope of religious activities. The new plank he inserted in the church's platform created considerable opposition. But thus far the "fighting parson" has won.

"We have never had dancing in the church," he said. "The main reason being that we have no suitable room for it. I do not favor the use of a sanctuary in the church for any purpose other than worship, but believe the church could well have a dancing floor in a building adjacent to the church, or in the same building; also billiard tables, social and card rooms if they seemed to be required to meet the social needs."