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ALLIED WAR CONFERENCE IN PARIS BEGINS WORK

Representatives of Principal Entente Belligerents Present—Opposition to Traitors Grows in Russia—British Keep Up Progress—Italians Repulse Austrians.

By the Associated Press. Representatives of the allied powers met in a conference, the future course of war which probably will depend. The French leaders have been joined by the representatives of the United States of Britain and Italy.

A joint action against the central powers will be determined at the conference, it is indicated. The future policy towards Russia has been outlined.

Although the bolsheviki apparently have been unable to extend their power in Russia except in the case of Petrograd and Moscow, they continue their efforts towards an armistice and separate peace with Germany.

It was announced officially last night that bolsheviki headquarters had representatives of Ensign Krylenko, bolsheviki commander in chief, who crossed to the German side and entered into negotiations with the German military authorities. It is reported that German officers have entered Petrograd to advise the bolsheviki leaders.

It is also reported that the opposition to the bolsheviki is rapidly gaining strength. A conference of anti-bolsheviki leaders at Russian headquarters for the purpose of forming a coalition government is reported.

Meremba General Kalendines, who reported in control of the zone producing territory in southern Russia, is growing in power. Many army officers opposed to the bolsheviki regime, including officers at the front, have joined General Kalendines.

As the British press towards Cambridge from the west they encountered more stubborn resistance. General Rom's men, however, are making progress against the strongly fortified enemy, from whom more than 200 prisoners were captured.

Deluged apparently by the loss sustained in their fruitless efforts to break the Italian line between the Brenta and Piave valleys, the Austro-Germans continue to hurl fresh troops against the defenders of the passes of the Venetian Alps. The latest attempt was against the left wing along the Brenta valley. An entire division was used in an attempt to break the Italian defenses. It attacked five times in mass formation, but was unable to break the defense of the Italians.

Fear of a German threat that she will seize a base in Denmark should Norway permit the allies to obtain a base in her territory is reported

NAVY RECRUITING PARTY IS IN COUNTY

Mr. B. F. Best, Jr., chief electrician under command of Lieutenant Commander John C. London, headquarters at Raleigh, arrived in Hickory today to spend three days here enlisting men for the navy. Mr. H. M. Belles, boatsman's mate, first class, is at Newton for three days.

Mr. Best may be found at the post-office. He will accept colored men for mess attendants at salaries that seem princely, considering that board, lodging and clothes are thrown in, and white men for seamen, firemen and electricians.

A navy picture, said to be one of the best ever shown, will be presented here by Mr. Best. It will be given at the Pastime Theatre, Manager Miller running it along with his other good pictures.

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Mr. C. F. Troutman, demonstrator for the Jewel ranges, is at J. W. Cannon's restaurant. Friday and Saturday coffee and biscuits will be served, and the ladies are invited.

**THANKSGIVING DAY
AT BAPTIST CHURCH**
Bro. F. B. Hamrick, treasurer of the Thomasville orphanage, will deliver the address at the Baptist church tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The Methodist brethren will worship with us. After the address a collection will be taken for the orphanages at Thomasville and Winston-Salem. All loose change will be divided equally between these two institutions. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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WILSON IS BUSY WORKING ON SPEECH

By the Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 28.—President Wilson continues to work on his address for the opening of congress which will be delivered in person next Tuesday. As yet the address is in a rough draft and probably will not be finished before delivery. It probably will not be ready to furnish newspapers in advance, as customary.

The capital today lay under a blanket of rapidly melting snow and slush and the president abandoned his usual round of golf to remain indoors writing the draft on his own typewriter.

SIX DUTCH SAILORS DROWNED IN PORT

By the Associated Press. Baltimore, Nov. 28.—Six men, all members of three Dutch steamships lying at this port, were drowned and nine were rescued early today when a launch carrying them to their ships capsized. All the drowned men were Hollanders.

DR. WOODS HUTCHISON ON LOSSES IN WAR

By the Associated Press. London, Nov. 28.—The doctor has made this world struggle probably one of the least deadly ever fought in proportion to the numbers engaged," said Dr. Woods Hutchison, an American in an address at the Royal Society of Medicine.

"The doctor's control over wounds infections is so masterly," he added, "that of the wounded who survive six hours, 90 per cent recover, of those who reach the field hospitals 95 per cent recover and of those who arrive at the base hospital 95 per cent get well."

"The twin angels anaesthetics and antiseptics have not only enormously diminished pain and agony but have made amputations rarer and grave crippling fewer than ever before in war history. Barely 5 per cent of the wounded are crippled or permanently disabled."

"From the statistics made public there is good reason to believe that the death rate of this year, in spite of colossal increase in instruments and engines of scientific slaughter, does not much exceed 5 per cent."

BRITISH CASUALTIES LESS THAN IN PRECEDING WEEK

London, Nov. 28.—British casualties officially reported for the week ending yesterday aggregated 30,314. They were divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers, 269; men, 5,947. Wounded or missing—Officers, 896; men, 23,202.

HER FATHER DEAD

Mrs. Tom Thompson of Hickory wired her husband Tuesday of the death in Portsmouth, Va., of the death of her father, Mr. B. H. Waugh, after an illness of 13 weeks. He was 49 years old. He is survived by his wife and two sons and three daughters. Mrs. Thompson will return home Saturday, accompanied by her mother.

OFFICERS AT HOME

Hickory's new army officers, First Lieutenants C. C. Freeman, John G. H. Geitner and Earl N. Carr, all graduates of the Oglethorpe school, have arrived home to spend Thanksgiving. They are receiving a warm welcome by relatives and friends.

CLAIMS WOMAN MENTALLY WRONG

By the Associated Press. Mineola, N. Y., Nov. 28.—What is expected to be a lengthy battle between medical experts over Mrs. Bianca DeSaulle's claim that her physical condition produced a lack of accountability when she shot her divorced husband was initiated today in the young woman's trial on the charge of murder of her husband.

Dr. J. S. Wright, Mrs. DeSaulle's physician since the tragedy, testified that the patient's condition was caused from the thyroid gland— from an inadequate secretion of this gland.

Mrs. DeSaulle's attorneys claimed that the condition outlined by the physician produces a brain and nerve center condition which eventually ends in mental infirmity.

SIXTY-THREE ARE MISSING IN BOATS

By the Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 28.—Sixty-three men are missing in three unaccounted for boats of the American steamer Actaon reported yesterday torpedoed by a German submarine. The navy's official report says one boat with 20 survivors landed at Finisterre yesterday and added nothing more to published accounts of the sinking.

MR. SIGMON WRITES OF LIFE IN FRANCE

The many friends of Mr. O. M. Sigmon who sailed with the Rainbow Division for France some time ago will be glad to know that he has landed safely and is well and happy according to a letter received this morning by his sister, Mrs. F. P. Abernethy.

Mr. Sigmon stated that he enjoyed the journey across very much and that he was scarcely seasick at all. While on board the ship Mr. Sigmon was promoted to master engineer, junior grade and while he was proud of the honor bestowed upon him he regrets to leave the members of his staff to whom he had become attached. The other Hickory boys with Mr. Sigmon are all well.

Mr. Sigmon asked to be remembered to his many friends in Hickory and gave the following address where mail will reach him, Engineer O. M. Sigmon, Headquarters Detachment, 117th Regiment Engineers, 42 Division, American Expeditionary Forces, France.

ONLY 22 MORE DAYS TO SHOP
Read the ads

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By the Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 28.—All militant of the woman's party who remained in jail after yesterday's release of the hunger striking 22 were released today. This entirely cleared the jail and woman pickets sent to jail.

COLD STORAGE LAW

Chicago Tribune. The new state law requiring merchants to make food products that have been in cold storage, it appears, is producing an anomalous situation. Persons who have eaten cold storage products for years without knowing it (though possibly with suspicion) now object to them because they are labeled. The result is that fresh foods, eggs for instance, are rising in price to a phenomenal height, while those from storage are much cheaper than before. Coal storage warehouses perform an important function, a function that is especially important when food is scarce. It is not the part of wisdom or economy to defer to a prejudice that was inoperative when the source of food-stuffs was uncertain.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press. New York, Nov. 28.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of five to 29 points today, with January and March selling off on reports of increased spot offerings in the house and pre-holiday realizing. Early offerings were absorbed by Liverpool and the market firming up.

	Open	Close
December	32.20	30.14
January	29.25	29.34
March	28.71	28.88
May	28.50	28.58
July	28.41	28.40

HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton	29	1.20
Wheat	28	1.40

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Cloudy tonight and Thursday probably rain, warmer tonight in west portico, moderate winds, mostly southwest.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

	Nov. 27.	1917	1916
Maximum	48	53	53
Minimum	33	33	33

BOLSHEVIKI DELEGATES INSIDE GERMAN LINES

Representatives of Radicals in Hurry to Conclude Peace—Conference Called For December 2—Allies May Take Action Against This Gang Later.

STREET WORK IS ORDERED BY COUNCIL

City council decided Tuesday night to lay Tenth avenue from Federal street east to Twelfth street with asphalt. A petition having been presented. This will give a permanent street from the Methodist church to the B. L. Hine wholesale fruit store.

Residents of Eighth and Ninth avenues presented a petition asking that Ninth street which leads from Eighth avenue to Ninth avenue, be widened and improved, and a survey was ordered with the understanding that the work would be done. Many petitions have been presented for several years urging that this street be widened, as it is only wide enough to permit one vehicle to pass at a time and has no sidewalks. It is not believed property owners will offer serious objection to the much needed improvement.

A delegation of colored citizens from south Hickory appeared before council and asked that Fourteenth street, about two blocks south of the postoffice, be improved. It is said that conditions are rather bad, and masked men occasionally give pedestrians a fright.

Sergeant Roy Black, in charge of the local recruiting office, announced his readiness to begin drilling the cadets.

WHIPPLE IS SILENT

By the Associated Press. Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 28.—Prof. Leonidas Whipple, who was preparing today to leave the University of Virginia, after his dismissal yesterday from the chair of journalism, said he had no statement to make, but said he had no present prospect of employment.

The board of visitors removed Whipple from the University faculty because of his alleged disloyal utterances.

WESTERN REPUBLICANS IN CONVENTION HERE ADOPT SOME WAR RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions pledging the support of the Western North Carolina Association of Republican Clubs to the prosecution of the war were adopted by the convention representing the clubs of the seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth congressional districts in session in Hickory Tuesday. The resolutions were made and were adopted unanimously. The fight, if there was any fight over them, occurred in Mr. A. A. Whitener's office, where the committee worked for nearly three hours and kept the boys in the Hub Theater waiting a considerable time.

The meeting did not draw as many prominent Republicans here as was expected, Senator Borah being detained at home and Messrs. Reynolds and Holton not being present, but there was a good sprinkling of leaders and the crowd in the theatre numbered 200 or more. Among those here were former Senator Marion Butler of Washington, National Committeeman, John M. Morehead of Charlotte, Brownlow Jackson of Hendersonville, A. H. Price of Salisbury, C. B. Spicer of Jefferson, State Senator C. A. Jonas of Lincolnton, J. B. Parker, Smithfield, Thomas Settle of Asheville and others.

Mr. Kohloss presided over the afternoon meeting. Mr. Parker was here from the east and said he drew inspiration from the gathering and promised to go back home and work.

Mr. Settle made the principal speech during the afternoon and he delivered one of his characteristic addresses. He said the Democrats were false prophets and defied Democrats to show that they had not done exactly the opposite from what they said they would do. He didn't think much of the American people for keeping them in office.

Mr. Settle took issue with those people who believe that Christianity and civilization had broken down. He believed that the world would be better after its great struggle and he looked for a cleansing of the spirit by reason of the sacrifices that free peoples are making in defense of their liberties.

Mr. Settle rose to heights of oratory, if not inspiration, in the course of his speech.

Short addresses also were made by Mr. Jonas, Mr. A. A. Whitener, Mr. A. H. Price and others. Mr. Butler came last on the program,

and he spoke after many in the audience had left the hall. Not many of them said Mr. Butler and he stormed in his usual way.

It was an open question as to whether he was given a frost in Hickory Tuesday. Certainly his part in the program was inconspicuous, though he made several motions and carried them all. But if he had any hope of storming the convention or of boosting his political aspirations in North Carolina, he must have been disappointed.

The resolutions were presented by Mr. Whitener and adopted unanimously, the delegates rising. They are as follows:

Resolved: 1. The United States by the action of the constituted authorities of our government is now at war, and the Western North Carolina Republican Club Association favors a most vigorous prosecution of the war to a speedy and successful termination.

Resolved: 2. That if the Democratic administration had promptly and firmly maintained and upheld American rights on the high seas, in Mexico, and throughout the world, our flag would have been respected and thereby the country would have escaped the calamity of this war.

Resolved: 3. That we deplore the inevitable loss of American lives and property which confronts us, and we arraign, as responsible therefore, a national policy which has lacked the wisdom of experience and the stability of purpose, and one, which, through specious promises and profuse phrase-making, has sought to disarm vigilance to defend our constitutional rights at home and the flag from menace from abroad.

Resolved: 4. We believe in making the world "safe for democracy;" we also believe in making "democracy safe for the world." Deeds, not words, should be the test. We believe in putting an end to the practices of the Southern democratic machines of stuffing ballot boxes and falsifying election returns. We believe in the liberty guaranteed by the constitution of our forefathers rather than some new and yet undefined liberty.

Resolved: 5. That while our North Carolina soldier boys are doing their duty in the trenches, (Continued on page 4)

State and Defense Battle Hard in Trial of Gaston B. Means on Murder Charge

By the Associated Press. Concord, Nov. 28.—That the defense may try to show that Mrs. Means A. King might have met death by the discharge of a pistol accidentally dropped was indicated today in cross examination of F. M. Ritchie, a state's witness. Ritchie, a barber, followed Dr. R. P. McFadden, a local physician, and J. H. Thompson, an undertaker's assistant, at the stand.

The physician and Ritchie testified that they saw no powder stains on the back of the head. On cross examination both testified that powder stains might have been removed by blood stains.

Ritchie said of having sold a small automatic pistol and a rifle several days before the tragedy to Gaston B. Means, Mrs. King's business manager, who is on trial for her murder.

The state has brought experts here in an effort to prove the woman could not have accidentally shot herself and in the examination of Ritchie the state defense had him recalled and got him to admit that he "dropped hard enough" an automatic pistol of the pattern that killed Mrs. King would discharge.

Ritchie added however, that he had never heard of such a thing happening. There was much direct examination of Ritchie.

The clothing Mrs. King wore on the night she met death was determined by the defense from the

state and the former agreed to produce it.

Through Dr. McFadden the state attempted to identify the clothing, but he said he could only say that they looked like those Mrs. King wore at the time.

Dr. McFadden also described the fractured ankle which it is contended Mrs. King received at about the time of her death. It might have been caused by stepping on a root, he said.

Capt. W. S. Bingham of Concord described the trip taken in the late afternoon of Mrs. King's death. The latter, Gaston and Afton Means, Captain Bingham and Ernest Eury, a negro chauffeur, composed the party. Bingham said no others were in the party. Bingham said the chauffeur drove the car about 100 yards down the road.

Bingham went down the road seeking to kill a rabbit and Afton also went off a short distance. It was also brought out that Gaston Means had extended a general invitation to several women of the Means family and Mrs. Melvin, sister of Mrs. King, but they had another engagement.

During an argument over Afton Means' action, E. T. Cansler of counsel for the defense, declared he wanted to show what Afton Means had done because he said he thought the state would try to show that Afton Means was an accomplice.

C. W. Andrews, a hotel clerk of Salisbury, who preceded Bingham on the stand testified that G. B. Means and Mrs. M. C. King had registered at the hotel on the night of August 18. The defense had sought to show that Means and Mrs. King had missed a train connection

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