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CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY

DIDN'T SUIT BOLSHEVIKI

And Lenine Cut It Short in Little Time—Not Much Fighting Reported in War Sectors.

British Bombard Ostend—German Airplanes Lost

By the Associated Press. The constituent assembly had existence only a few hours before it was dissolved early Saturday by the executive committee of congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates. It is reported to have succeeded by the workmen's congress, which was supporting the Lenine government. Dissolution came after the delegates had been defeated in an attempt to organize the assembly.

British troops now guard the coast, and Premier Lenine has he will not permit the assembly to reassemble. Whether the revolutionary Socialists will attempt to meet is not known. The assembly in the position of a government in Germany, there were munition strikes in Austria and more than 100,000 workers in Vienna as a protest against the government. One German newspaper says that the Austrian strike demands speedy peace with Germany and has become too strong to be stemmed by force. The British warships finally have the sea with the former German warships Goeben and Breslau. In an action at the entrance of the Dardanelles Sunday, the Goeben was sunk and the Goeben sustained serious damage, was captured. The British losses were not heavy, one commanded by the British of Earl Kitchener, and the fate is not known.

The former German warships have been the mainstay of the German navy since the beginning of the war. Much damage had been done to Russian transports and ships in the Black sea. The Italian front there has been a steady fighting, most of the day along the Asolone and the Piave. The German airplanes were shot down by French and British planes in France.

Recent warships have bombarded the coast, one of the important German submarine bases on the Belgian coast.

FRENCH ARTILLERY DEADLY ACCURATE

By the Associated Press. (Correspondence from the Front, Dec. 14.)—(Correspondence)—General Ludendorff, reported by the entente allies as the commander of the German army, made an unintentional compliment to the accuracy of French artillery in a memorandum issued to the entente allies on October 4, which has been made available to the correspondent of the Associated Press. In this document he admits that the French gunners by their counter-battery fire destroyer in one German army alone in the course of a month of fighting destroyed 160 heavy and seventy-two heavy cannon, and seriously damaged and out of action also 282 field-guns and 21 heavy cannon, as well as 160 light field-guns and fifty-nine heavy cannon slightly injured but capable of being repaired and used again in a short time.

These imposing figures of artillery losses caused by the French counter-battery work in the same period of time had the moral effect of adding an almost equal number of losses brought about by the weary out or bursting of guns. In this way seventy-two field-guns and twenty-one heavy cannon were destroyed; 160 heavy and 129 heavy guns seriously damaged and 177 field-guns and ninety one heavy guns slightly disabled.

The memorandum was issued to the German army by General Ludendorff because this artillery officers had argued repeatedly in making counter-battery work necessary to attacks on infantry and communications. They arrested the French artillery directed their guns generally against the German batteries. The figures collated by the German general demonstrate the validity of this argument and prevent the French determination to prevent the German guns as far as possible from being used against the French infantry and lines of communication and supply, and that they do this successfully.

General Ludendorff in concluding his memorandum points out that by counter-battery work not only is the enemy's artillery destroyed or put out of action, but the opponent is forced to a considerable extent to turn his attention away from the doing of the enemy's infantry which is thus able to manoeuvre with greater ease.

WELCOME GIVEN MR. ROWE ON SUNDAY

The Rev. Walter W. Rowe, who began his pastorate of the Reformed church here early in January, was given a hearty welcome to Hickory by the other denominations Sunday night and the large auditorium was comfortably filled with a representative congregation. The Rev. J. G. Garth, the oldest minister in the association in point of service, presided, and after the sermon the Revs. R. N. Courtney, S. B. Stroup and W. R. Bradshaw extended a cordial welcome to Mr. Rowe. Mr. Garth in his introductory declared that Hickory knew Mr. Rowe and everybody was glad for him to return home to succeed the honored pastor of this church. Mrs. J. H. Shuford and Mr. L. H. Wardick sang beautifully a duet, "Why Stand Ye here Idle?" Mr. Rowe took his text from one of Paul's letters, in which the apostle cleared up confusion existing in the church in his day. He laid down the proposition that the church was organized on the divinity of Christ, and that recognition of this fact was essential. Mr. Rowe insisted that both the Old and New Testaments have a golden thread running through them emphasizing the Messiah, and His divinity, and the Christian church was established on a person, a divine person, the Son of God. My means of various illustrations, some of them from the scriptures and others from Huss, Wycliff, Luther and others, Mr. Rowe drove his point home and the other ministers in the congregation thanked him heartily for his message.

Mr. Rowe has a splendid delivery, excellent command of his English and the earnestness to make his words impressive.

MOLLIE KING AND CREIGHTON HALE AT PASTIME TODAY

Don't forget to see Mollie King and Creighton Hale in the 7th episode of the "Seven Pearls" at the Pastime today. The following is the story: A crook named Stayne steals the pearl that Ima and Harry have recovered. After thrilling adventures, they get it back. Stayne and his pals pursue and trap them on a little island on the edge of the Hudson. Harry sees some boys flying a kite. He and Ima grab the kite string and plunge into the Hudson. Stayne and one of his men jump into a little boat, raise the sail and pursue, guns in hand.

NASH COUNTY LEADING AGAIN

Nash county again comes to the front in progressive health legislation. A few months ago the county board of health passed an ordinance requiring all homes in the county to provide sanitary closets, which requirement had been made of the schools more than a year previous now the board requires all midwives to pass an examination and have license from the county health department before practicing their profession. Dr. J. W. Speight, county health officer, and the nurse of the health department, will give a course of instructions, which will emphasize surgical cleanliness, free of charge, to all midwives in the county.

This movement was deemed advisable at this time preparatory to a campaign of infant hygiene which the county health department proposes doing this spring. As the first year of a baby's existence is the most dangerous period of its life, and a site care at birth diminishes or increases this danger, the midwife becomes the first factor to be regulated in any work for the better care of babies.

DENIES SOME REPORTS

To Whom It May Concern: The report that has been circulated about me having two thousand (\$2,000) dollars in the bank and owning two farms and being otherwise rich and independent, I am very, very sorry to say is untrue. I am a loyal to the constitution of the United States is simply a falsehood instigated by a pack of meddlesome street loafers and vagabonds. In connection with this, I wish to say that should any man or woman be able to prove by sworn statements that I have exaggerated or made any false statements in my questionnaire, I will withdraw my appeal to the district board and voluntarily place my service at the feet of Uncle Same within 24 hours after same has been proven. (Signed) THADDEUS C. CARPENTER. Reference Consolidated Trust Co., Hickory, N. C.

SOUTH OBSERVES FIRST HEATLESS HERE ARE SHIPS

ITS FIRELESS MONDAY

By the Associated Press. Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 21.—The first heatless and workless Monday was observed generally throughout the south today.

In the Carolinas business generally was suspended except in exempted plants and many business houses were closed for the first time in their history. At Charlotte, N. C., merchants and manufacturers announced they practically would pay their employees full time for the holidays. Cotton mills which could operate wholly with hydro-electric power were running as usual.

In Georgia there was no great discomfort, because of reasonable temperatures. Standard, sunny warm Florida weather came to the relief of that state today and it was almost impossible to tell that a fuel shortage was on.

TO APPEAL CASES OF NEWLY WEDS

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—Government appeal agents have been instructed to appeal all cases where local draft boards have granted deferred classification in either classes two or four because of marriage since May 18, 1917, it became known today.

DEATH OF MISS STARNES

Miss Mittie Starnes, aged 26 years, died Sunday morning at the home of her mother, widow of the late Wilson Starnes, and the funeral was held from St. Stephens Lutheran church at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

M'CURBER WANTS ALL MEN DRAFTED

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—A bill to authorize the president to order the registration and drafting of all males between 18 and 62 years old, to be used in the conduct of manufacturing industries, was introduced today by Senator McCumber. The bill was referred to the military affairs committee.

Sgt. Roy Black, military instructor of the Hickory high school cadet corps, has announced the following appointments: Ernest Abernethy cadet major and adjutant; Worland Eaton and Summie Whitener, cadet captains; George Johnson, Paul Deaton, Ernest Bumgarner, and Thomas Hamilton, cadet lieutenants. The sponsors have also been elected and will be announced later.

TO ALLOW ALIEN FRIENDS TO ENLIST

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—Provost Marshal General Crowder has notified draft boards that it is customary in the selective service regulations for boards to issue permits to drafted men to go abroad to serve in armies in other nations. Such permits have been granted in several cases.

PYRO-MANIAC IS CAUSE OF BIG BLAZE

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—Frederick L. Woodward, a private in the army quarter master's corps, confessed today that he started the fire which threatened the quarter master's store house last week and destroyed \$50,000 worth of food supplies. An official statement issued here says Woodward declared himself a pyro-maniac and he had caused fires in other places.

AT THE VERY START

Birmingham News. If Adam had had a chew of tobacco in his mouth when Eve offered the apple the trouble would have all been avoided.

MONDAY IS SUCCESS TO HELP US SOME

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—General observance of the first heatless Monday was reported today throughout the United States.

Many railroads were assisting in the effort to supply homes and transatlantic shipping with coal and were moving little general freight. The Pennsylvania road went so far as to instruct its agents not to receive freight for shipment at any of its stations.

Coal and wood were virtually the only commodities moving aside from the small amount for government service.

The state fuel administrators reported that most office buildings, although permitted to heat certain exempted offices, were burning enough coal only to keep the pipes from freezing.

YOUNG FARMERS FIGHT PISTOL DUEL TO DEATH

Stearns, Ky., Jan. 21.—News has reached here by telephone that William Callahan and John Cody are dead near the North Fork section of the Cumberland river, as a result of a duel with pistols. According to the information the two young men, both farmers, were in love with the same young woman. Meeting on the road they agreed to fight to the death, the one surviving having a clear field for the hand of the girl. It is reported that the boys pulled their heavy revolvers, turned their backs and fired simultaneously, both falling dead. According to eyewitnesses, Callahan and Cody met in town yesterday and after a conversation agreed that the only way out of their affairs was to fight a duel and that the meeting in the roadway was arranged.

ALLIES EXPECT ACTIONS IN WEST

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—The allies are maintaining an expectant attitude on the western front, Secretary Baker said in his weekly interview. While recent events in Russia have greatly increased strategic freedom for the central powers.

RIGHT IS GIVEN KAISER TO MAKE PEACE OR WAR

Washington, Jan. 21.—The right of the German emperor to the exclusive making of war or peace has been reaffirmed in the Prussian chamber of ords in the adoption of a resolution presented by Berlin representatives, said a dispatch from Berlin. As quoted in the dispatch the resolution said: "The chamber of lords firmly hopes that when peace is concluded the government would see that the rights of the emperor of Germany were safeguarded. These rights are conceded to him by the constitution and peace should be commensurate with the sacrifices which have been made for the political and economic interests of the country."

The eleventh snow of the winter fell Saturday night and it was followed Sunday night by a small-sized cold wave that brought mercury down to 16 degrees above. The forecast for today was fair and warmer Tuesday. According to the old Dutch signs, there are to be three snows in this section before the winter ends and it is freely predicted that the white mantle will remain until the first of March.

Mr. John Miller has returned to Camp Sevier after spending about two weeks here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Miller.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY IS IN TIROLES GENERAL TRIKE

London, Jan. 21.—A general strike is on throughout Austria according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Paris which reports 100,000 men quitting work in Vienna and Neustadt, closing down all war factories. The strikers are described as openly anti-German and the movement is both political and economic and especially aimed at securing peace. Public demonstrations, it is added, have been held in many places at which hostility was voiced toward Berlin for trying to force the Austrians to continue the war.

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Snow tonight and Tuesday, fresh to strong northeast winds on the coast.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

	1918	1917
Jan. 2033	53
High33	53
Low25	33

PRESIDENT WILL OPPOSE CREATION OF WAR COUNCIL

Wilson to Fight It to Bitter End—Senator Chamberlain Introduces Measure in Spite of Opposition—Lively Contest Expected Over Passage

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—President Wilson has served notice on Democratic leaders in the senate that he will use all his influence and power to beat the bill to create a war council.

"The president will fight to the finish," was the word brought to the capitol today.

HICKORY CLOSES ITS BUSINESS HOUSES

In compliance with the fuel administration's order, Hickory stores, druggists and grocers excepted, were closed good and tight today, and the business section was holiday like in appearance. Only foodstuffs were sold, and one man, who ran out of chewing tobacco, said none of the stores would take his word for it that he ate the weed, and he fished out some cigars.

All manufacturing industries also were closed and will be closed until Wednesday morning. There was not the least criticism of the order, even by industries that used hydro-electric power exclusively. Every manufacturer was determined to do his part in the conservation of fuel and the relieving of the congestion at or near the Atlantic ports. News that the extreme cold in the middle Atlantic states had hampered the clearing of freight was somewhat disconcerting, but it was good news that steamers were being furnished coal in spite of cold and ice.

The grocery stores closed at noon and orders were not accepted for delivery after 10 o'clock. Next Monday and every Monday thereafter the grocers will be closed all day until the ten weeks period has elapsed.

THE SOLDIER'S RETICENCE

This War Altogether Too Serious for Heroes

An American Chaplain in France to the Northwestern Christian Advocate. If it should be that in the order of events American blood is to now reely in France, I trust it may not seem premature to make a suggestion about the reception which will be accorded those who are left to come home. Let everybody turn out to meet them with every mark of appreciation and esteem. Give them a public dinner in the best place in town, but do not let any speech-maker address them as heroes and laud their glorious services to humanity. They will like the turkey and ice cream but their uncomformable. When it comes to that, which will feature of the reception, important grasp them warmly by the hand, give them a steady look straight in the eye and say "I'm glad you had luck." Then where there are maimed and broken men, stand by them and their families to the end. They will understand. And some time when the situation is just right both you and they will be able to say more to each other.

This war has reached a point where it is altogether too serious for heroes. If there should be a man who struts and boasts, examination will probably disclose that he has not got further than a mad hay-strewn yard with a blood-curling yell, upon unresisting dummy figures, strutting and posing is excluded for the man who has had close dealing with the vast impersonal forces of destruction in modern warfare and found himself as whipped as an ant before a cart wheel.

Experienced soldiers are fighting not because they hope for fame in war but because they hate war with a loathing hatred. And they are battling now that they may remove the desecrating presence of this abomination of desolation which is standing there it ought not so that men may forget it and become decent again. "If anybody dares to speak to me about the glories of war," said an officer returning from a front the other day where the most bitter fighting had been in progress, "I am sure I should be very rude to him. In my judgment he expressed the well-nigh unanimous opinion of those simple-minded, quiet, earnest men who are lighting the battles of this war."

PORTO RICO IS NOT ONE OF UNITED STATES

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—Porto Rico is an insular territory and is not to be an organized incorporated territory of the United States holding the federal constitution in force there were reversed by the supreme court.

KEEP RAILROADS UNTIL AFTER THE WAR

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—Director General McAdoo told the senate interstate commerce committee today that he thought the government should retain operation of the railroads for some time after peace comes and not return them to private owners until new and complete laws have been made. Director General McAdoo denied that he had anything to do with the shipping order. He said he approved the order and thought it would do good. "It should be borne in mind," said Mr. McAdoo, "that by the end of the war the public and shippers will be accustomed to dealing with the government and I am convinced that a fair time should be given them before the railroads are turned back to their owners."

FOR THREE MEN

By the Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 21.—Establishment of a war cabinet of "three distinguished citizens of demonstrated executive ability" is provided in the senate military committee's bill as introduced today by Chairman Chamberlain.

The war cabinet, the bill provides, shall be nominated by the president with the consent of the senate. A provision limiting the life of the war cabinet to six months after the termination of the war or any earlier day after its close was inserted.

Despite the president's announced determination to oppose the bill with all his resources, it was introduced in the senate today as planned by Chairman Chamberlain of the military committee with the approval of practically all of the Democrats of the committee, who showed no inclination to abandon the fight. Members of the delegation in congress saw the making of a historical contest between the executive and legislative branch of the government.

President Wilson told the leaders with whom he discussed it today that he considered the creation of a war council an encroachment on his authority and likely to take the control of the war out of his hands.

FIVE BOXES OF CANDY TO BE GIVEN AWAY

Don't fail to come to the Pastime today to see the "Lonesome Luke" comedy and Hearst Picture News showing the big automobile races at Los Angeles and the American birdmen getting ready for action in France. Five boxes of fine Jacobs Candy made last night will be given away tonight at 8:30. Don't fail to come and get your box.

Squire W. W. Aiken of route 4 was in the city today.

FUNERAL IS HELD FOR LAWSON PETRIE

Mr. Lawson Petrie, vice-president and lumber inspector of the Hickory Novelty Company for the past 30 years, and one of the best beloved men in this community, died Saturday afternoon at 12:30 following an illness with pneumonia. He was born in Catawba county on March 28, 1855, and was 62 years old. He is survived by his wife, no children having blessed the union. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the Methodist church, the Rev. R. M. Courtney, conducting the service, and interment following in Oakwood cemetery. Mr. Petrie is described by his friends as all good. Quiet and unassuming in manner, paying strict attention of business, a good neighbor, and one of the experts of the lumber business, he will be greatly missed. He was looked up to by everybody at the Novelty shops and President Lantz says he was the best man he ever associated with. Mr. Petrie through his industry and thrift accumulated quite an estate.

about it. I was a little surprised when he turned me off by saying that he did not talk about it and that there was not much to tell anyway. I repeated my request two or three times during later visits to the sergeant's ward but always with the same result. On one of these occasions, however, he gave me another lead. "The bugle boy," he said, "who sounds the calls out here was at Mons. If you get a hold of him some time and are a bit severe with him he will tell you." Finally, one evening I met the sergeant. He was not able to walk about the grounds. "I am going to England tomorrow," he said, "and since you have seemed interested to know, and seeing that I am going away now, I will tell you that I know about Mons." Then followed a most interesting account of what unequal engagement when cooks and officers' servants were called in to the thin line thrown across the advance of the German war monster. This incident is typical, I believe of the reticence I should almost like to say the humility of the soldier, at least at the point of discussing his personal experiences.