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## AMERICA WILL JOIN NO ALLIANCE SAVE UNIVERSAL LEAGUE

### President Says This Nation Favors Only General Brotherhood

## WORKMEN APPLAUD HIM

### Executive Speaks at Manchester—Visits Mother's Birthplace and Speaks in Church at Carlisle—Cheered by Crowds

Manchester, Dec. 30.—President Wilson today gave warning that America would join no combination or alliance except a league of all nations. Addressing 6,000 workmen at Free Trade Hall, he declared that the league of nations must be a great covenant by which all nations will unite for the maintenance and triumph of right. The statement was greeted by wild applause.

### At Mother's Birthplace.

At Carlisle yesterday the President visited his mother's birthplace and saw relics of her father. He registered at an old Congregational church and attended a service. Asked by the officiating minister to address the congregation, Mr. Wilson hesitated a moment and then complied. He spoke of his mother and her English connections and showed emotion when he had concluded.

The weather at Carlisle was rainy, but large crowds braved the downpour and cheered the American leader.

New York, Dec. 27.—Success of the peace conference and the safeguarding of civilization against another world war will be assured as a result of the preliminary conferences President Wilson is holding at London. There is no longer reason to doubt that an agreement on all basic essentials concerning the league of nations can be reached by the democracies of the United States and Great Britain.

London, Dec. 27.—Great strides toward an amicable settlement and highly important peace preliminaries were made when President Wilson, Premier Lloyd-George and Foreign Minister Balfour conferred today at Buckingham Palace. This was the distinct understanding at the conclusion of the convention.

President Wilson met the British leaders in his apartment. The session lasted an hour and a half. The league of nations, freedom of the seas and possibly the Russian situation are known to have been scheduled for discussion.

As the President and British ministers came down the steps of the palace shortly after noon they were in high good humor. They departed at once for Downing Street, where they lunched with other British statesmen and American Ambassador Davis.

### President Given Great Ovation.

When the American executive arrived here late yesterday he was greeted by millions. Probably no living man has been accorded such an ovation by London. More than 1,500,000 persons lined the two miles of streets through which the President passed. At Buckingham Palace he delivered a short address.

### RAN PURLOINED CAR INTO POLE, ESCAPED.

An unidentified man Saturday evening appropriated the car of B. B. Sugg when a son of Mr. Sugg left it standing in front of the Lenoir Drug Store at Monument Corner and drove it to Heritage Street, where Patrolman Frank Bursell, who thought because it had no lights that the machine was conveying a blind tiger and his goods, gave chase. Near the corner of Heritage and King the car collided with a telephone pole and was capsized and the driver leaped out and escaped. The damage to the machine was heavy, aggregating several hundred dollars.

### THIRD VICTIM AT SCHOOL.

Louise McGehee died at the Caswell Training School Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, the third to die of influenza there. She was nine years of age and the daughter of a Reidsville physician. The general situation at the school continues to improve.

## Local Health Dope Adopted for World-Wide Distribution

The International Health Commission has adopted two striking posters of the local Bureau of Health to be circulated in every country in which 144 physicians are stationed. Officials at headquarters in New York say they are the best on the subjects with which they deal that have been presented. Copies have been lithographed for distribution in South America, China, Africa and elsewhere as well as throughout this country.

One of the posters deals with sanitary installations in rural localities, and points out that the devices illustrated prevent typhoid and several other widely prevalent diseases. Statistics are given. The other is embellished with pictures of the troublesome hookworm and facts concerning the pest's activities. It sets forth that for eight days before starting on its life's work the worm "trains" exercising on the ground and fattening, and that twice during that period it sheds its skin like a snake. This animal is more deadly than all the viperine serpents in this part of the country, 40 per cent. of adults and 70 per cent. of children were in its clutches the last time the health bureau took a census.

International and State health officials have complimented the local department upon the posters. They were designed by Dr. James S. Mitchener, head of the bureau.

## Cut Out the Cuckoos on Trains; Here's a Passenger Who Kicks

Washington, Dec. 30.—"Passengers do not enjoy the presence of alarm and cuckoo aboard trains." This is the burden of a letter received today by the bureau of suggestions and complaints of the Railroad Administration. The letter explained that every 15 minutes during a trip of nine hours on a Southern Railway train a cuckoo clock sang out the time.

An alarm clock also carried by the owner of the cuckoo time-piece broke loose once at 3 a. m.

## AMERICAN ARMY HAS BEEN REDUCED MORE THAN HALF MILLION

(By the United Press)

Washington, Dec. 28.—Over half a million men have been dismissed from army camps to date and over 1,000,000 are booked for early discharge here and abroad. Chief of Staff March announces.

General Pershing has assigned for early convey a total of 6,321 officers and 168,239 men. In this country 937,000 men are booked for discharge, 37,000 more than last week's total. To date discharges at American army camps number over 500,000 men and nearly 40,000 officers.

## FRENCH LABOR DEAD SET AGAINST WAR

Paris, Dec. 28.—The workmen of France are determined to prevent future wars and will insist upon a peace based on President Wilson's program, Albert Thomas, minister of munitions, told the United Press today. He based this statement on information obtained from thousands of French soldiers.

## NEW PASTOR IN PULPIT QUEEN STREET CHURCH.

Rev. C. L. Reed, new pastor of Queen Street Methodist Church, occupied the pulpit Sunday morning for the first time. He preached again at night. Large congregations heard him. The parishioners in large numbers were introduced to Mr. Reed following both services. The new bachelor pastor has not decided whether he will occupy the parsonage or board. The church residence was vacated by Rev. M. H. Tuttle and family, who went to Lenoir, last Thursday.

## PORTUGUESE STAND LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE BEFORE CONGRESS SERVING IN REDS' VERSAILLES TERMS CAN CALL IT QUITS

(By the United Press)  
Paris, Dec. 28.—Portugal will support President Wilson's plan for a league of nations to the limit, Egas Moniz, foreign minister of Portugal states. Moniz has thus aligned himself with the French, Italian and Spanish statesmen whom the President since his arrival has arranged in favor of the league.

Moniz heads the Portuguese peace delegation, which aside from the United States is the onlyelligent to date ready to begin the conference.

## CONFIDENCE VOTE BY FRENCH CHAMBER

(By the United Press)  
Paris, Dec. 30.—The chamber of deputies following an address by Premier Clemenceau today passed a vote of confidence in the government 312 to 93.

## WHAT SHALL WE NAME THE NAVAL WAR BABIES?

London, Dec. 19.—(By Mail).—In connection with the proposal to divide the surrendered German battleships among the Allies and the United States, it is suggested here that the battle cruiser Hindenburg be named in France and renamed the "Marshal Foch."

This is on the theory that since Germany named the battleship after her greatest soldier, the ship should be given to the nation which really produced the greatest soldier. It also is suggested that the Seydlitz, the German flagship, be allocated to England and rechristened the "Beatty" after the admiral commanding the fleet to which she struck her flag.

## FOOD SURVEY FOR DECEMBER SHOWS A GREAT INCREASE.

(Special to The Free Press)  
Washington, Dec. 30.—The commercial stocks of wheat actually reported in a survey made by the Department of Agriculture for December 1, 1918, amounted to 218,438,332 bushels. These holdings, by 10,669 firms—elevators, warehouses, grain mills and wholesale dealers—were more than twice as large as the stocks held by the same firms a year earlier, the actual percentage being 206.1 per cent. of the 1917 stocks.

The commercial stocks of other cereals reported for December 1, 1918, according to the department statement, were as follows: Corn, 1,399,789 bushels; oats, 51,670,737 bushels; barley, 74,400,737 bushels; rye, 13,938,019 bushels. These figures represent the following percentages of the corresponding stocks on December 1, 1917: Corn, 129.9 per cent.; oats, 94.6 per cent.; barley, 110.9 per cent.; rye, 154.2 per cent.

## LABOR ADMINISTRATORS STRENGTHENED IN ARIZONA.

An increase of Arizona's 1918 copper production of 100,000,000 pounds over 1917.

Not a shift lost in mine, mill or smelter from November 1, 1917, to October 21, 1918.

These are the results of the work of the labor administrators appointed for Arizona by the President's mediation commission in the fall of 1917, as shown in the annual report of William B. Wilson, Secretary of Labor.

The situation in Arizona in 1917 was one of the chief causes leading to the appointment of the commission. About 28 per cent. of the copper output of the United States is produced in four copper districts of that State. In the early summer of 1917 there were widespread strikes in those districts, resulting in three months in a loss of output of 100,000,000 pounds.

## UP TO SECRETARY BAKER, SAYS DENT; WILL HAVE TO HURRY

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So far, Dent says, Baker has given no hint as to what he expects to do to raise a force to replace the present army, which is being demobilized at the rate of 200,000 a week and which will be discharged even faster if present plans to get more ships are carried out.

## COTTON

New York futures quotations were:

Open.	Close.
January	30.35 29.35
March	28.80 27.87
May	28.90 26.92
July	27.35 26.03

Local receipts to 3 o'clock were about 20 bales, prices ranging from 29 1-2 downward.

## Must Pass Revenue Bill and Other Important Measures in 51 Working Days—Wheat Fund Must Be Provided

(By the United Press)  
Washington, Dec. 30.—Congress has 51 more working days before the present session ends, and here are some of the more important things it must do in that time if an extra session is to be avoided:

Pass the revenue bill; frame and pass nearly a score of appropriation bills; decide on the army reorganization policy; fix the future naval policy; provide a fund for the payment of the \$25 a bushel wheat guarantee and means of dispensing the fund.

## BULLETINS

### STEAMER ON ROCKS.

London, Dec. 30.—The American Line steamship Ialeduey is on rocks off the English coast. Lloyd's announces. The rescue of passengers has been commenced. No steamer Ialeduey is registered in Lloyd's register.

### POLES DEFY GERMANS.

London, Dec. 30.—Machinegun fighting raged all Friday afternoon at Posen after Ignace Jan Paderewski, famous pianist and Polish leader, had defied the Germans and caused American and Allied ships to be hoisted according to a dispatch from

### AGAIN UNPREPARED.

Washington, Dec. 30.—America is unprepared to take care of the returning soldiers as she was a year ago to expedite their departure to France. Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the military committee, today declared.

### COALITION VICTORY.

London, Dec. 28.—The first announcement of a result in the parliamentary elections of December 14, made public today, showed a victory for a coalition.

## WARNING TO PRESS MEN OF A HUN COUP

Berlin, Dec. 28.—The German group which favors Allied occupation of Berlin as a political coup plans to force this move by arresting all American and British newspapermen in the city. Police Prefect Eichhorn so warned the United Press correspondent today.

Eichhorn stated that politicians believed the arrest of the correspondents would draw Allied troops into the capital immediately, thus changing the entire complexion of the political situation and probably resulting in the overthrow of the radicals.

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## JOHN CHINAMAN IS SERVING IN REDS' ARMIES IN RUSSIA

Washington, Dec. 27.—The Russian bolsheviks have drawn into their army 500,000 citizens, most of whom fear for their lives through violence or starvation if they refuse to serve. State Department advisers give this information, adding that there is a considerable number of Austro-Hungarian prisoners and Chinese workmen in the red army. Food is reported to be extremely scarce both at Petrograd and Moscow, and army membership is about the only chance for many citizens to obtain even slight sustenance.

Workers loading a Swedish steamer at Petrograd were reported by the captain to be emaciated and weak and so hungry that they stole garbage. The important cities of Odessa and Kiev are in danger of capture by the bolsheviks, according to other advisers. Press reports of an attempt to kill General Semenov, anti-bolshevik, at Chita are confirmed by a department message. A bolshevik uprising is reported near Omsk.

## GERMANY KNOWS IT MUST PAY DAMAGES

(By the United Press)  
Amsterdam, Dec. 30.—Mathias Erberger, chairman of the German armistice commission, declared in a speech in Berlin that Germany will pay the damages caused in Belgium and Northern France, according to a dispatch received here. He said the Allies and Germany have agreed on the general question of war damages.

### FARM BUREAU WORK AMONG ARIZONA PINES.

Just back of the San Francisco peaks in Coconino County, Ariz., there is a productive little farming community known as Kendrick Park. Twenty-six homesteaders have cast their lot in this place to battle with the elements at an elevation of 8,500 feet. Although at a high elevation excellent crops of oats, barley, and potatoes are grown, the dry-land method of farming being used. At a meeting called last June by the county agent, 24 of the farmers were present, the other 2 being away from home. A vacated lumber camp was used as a meeting place, the former dining room serving as an auditorium. It was plainly seen at once that these farmers were by no means "backwoodsmen," although they lived in a timber district on farms surrounded by tall pines and 20 miles from town. Committees were appointed to carry out the farm-bureau plan. This placed the community on an organized basis with general committees in charge of the different problems. It gave them a common interest and federated them with the other farmers of the county through the farm bureau.

## Former Negro Member Congress From This District Dies North

George White, former congressman from the Second North Carolina District, died Saturday at his home in Philadelphia.

White was a negro lawyer. He was twice elected to the House of Representatives at a time when Craven County, now in the Third District, was in the Second.

The past 12 years White lived at Philadelphia. He had a considerable law practice there.

At one time during his residence in East Carolina White was the solicitor of a judicial district. He was a native of the State. His political career ended when the amendment was passed depriving negroes of their vote.

### A MERE PREMIER.

Paris, Dec. 2 (By Mail).—A polished, well-groomed man appeared at the door of the House mission during the Versailles conference. He bowed deeply, almost apologetically. He asked a few questions, bowed deeply again and went away.

"And who was that?" a secretary was asked.

"Oh, that was just the premier of Romania," and he went on to his work, having seen only a half dozen or so other premiers during the last half hour.

## City Schools Get Good Start at Reopening; a New Principal on Hand

The City Schools reopened Monday with an unusually large first-day-after-Christmas attendance. The bright weather helped the classes start away for a good winter's work. The High School opened with a new principal—F. W. Carroll, whose home is at Winterville. He attended Wake Forest, Johns Hopkins and the University of North Carolina. He succeeds J. C. Boyd of Charlotte, who will go to another climate because of throat trouble. George B. Lay of Raleigh is an addition to the High School staff. Professor Lay will teach science. He is a University of North Carolina man.

Miss Ethel Everett, Annie Laurie Lang and Lenora Keeter, teachers, were not on hand at the reopening. All three are convalescing from illness at their homes, at Palmyra, Farmville and Grover respectively. They were between 60 and 75 new pupils on hand Monday.

### HUNS STARTED TO ROOF OVER SEA.

(By the United Press)  
London, Dec. 14 (By Mail).—The Germans built great "trainsheds" in the water to shelter their submarines at Bruges, Belgium, from bombs dropped from the air.

The sheds have concrete roofs 11 feet thick, and are of massive proportions. From early in 1917 until the Huns were forced to abandon Bruges altogether, 4,000 workmen were employed in building the great sheds for the undersea boats.

Hundreds of concrete pillars, each 2 feet thick and 25 feet high supported the heavy roof. Eight of the shelters had been completed and the 9th was being built when the Germans decided to run along home.

In the very early days of the war, the Germans clearly planned the harbors at Zebrugge and Ostend as permanent bases and repair stations for their submarines, the original boats being built at the Hohenkops, near Antwerp. The first large repair works appear to have been situated at the Atelier de la Marine at Ostend, but it is probable that the docks at Bruges which are connected with Zebrugge by a ship canal, were being developed at an early period of the war.

## May Try Bring Wilson to Chapel Hill After 1920, Raleigh Hears

(By the United Press)  
Raleigh, Dec. 30.—It is reported here that a salary of \$20,000 a year has been offered President Wilson to become president of the University of North Carolina, to come out of Mrs. Flagler-Bingham's bequest.

### OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES COMETH FORTIL.

London, Dec. 14 (By Mail).—If Germany's fate were left in the hands of Young England, the Hun would get no quarter.

Schoolchildren were asked to write a statement of the terms on which they would make peace with Germany. This is the response of a 9-year-old boy:

"My peace terms with Germany are:

"That Germany should give back the two French provinces, Alsace and Lorraine, to France.

"That they should restore the mines, villages, towns and cities, and all the beautiful buildings that once belonged to France.

"That Germany should give a huge sum of money to each of the Allies to pay for damages.

"All autocracies (whoreby he meant 'atrocities') on the sea, in the air, and the land must cease.

"That Germany must not keep a standing army.

"All the dominions abroad that Germany owns should be given to England.

"No more German kings or queens should be allowed to reign.

"All Germany's ships, submarines, guns, and dockyards should be given to us.

"No more German language should be taught in German schools, but English instead.

"All wonderful inventions that are unknown to England should be handed over to us at once.

"That Germany should make no laws.

"No German should ever possess more than \$2,000."

## CLEMENCEAU SPEAKS FRANKLY OF VIEWS ON TERMS OF PEACE

### Not Expected See Things Through President Wilson's Eyes

## FRANCE BLED 4 YEARS

### And Old Tiger Declares Devastated Areas Must Be Restored—Will Be Nothing But Harmony at Versailles, Says

(By R. J. Bender)  
Paris, Dec. 30.—"I would be lying if I said I agreed with President Wilson on all points," Premier Clemenceau declared today addressing the Chamber of Deputies. "President Wilson's ideas are not the same as those of a man whose country has been devastated for four years and which in justice must be restored."

The "tiger" declared President Wilson had congratulated him on his statement to Premier Lloyd-George that he would have no objection to the British fleet rendering the same service in the future that it did in this war.

Clemenceau expressed confidence that the Allies would enter the peace conference in the same united spirit they displayed in the war. He said present conversations between Allied leaders are vitally important and that they will have to begin over again if no agreement is reached.

### BIG WAR GARDEN BECOMES "PIGGERY."

Twenty acres near Glendale, Ohio, donated for a community-garden project, proved unweedy, and the Glendale Garden Club called in the county agent. He advised abandonment of the garden project, getting the entire tract in corn and getting enough pigs to provide a hoof market for the crop. So the garden club turned over its interest to a new organization called the Glendale Piggery. A farmer agreed to put the 20 acres in corn on shares, and from him the club bought 40 pigs with the understanding that he would maintain them until the corn crop was harvested and then feed them on the club's share of the crop. The club got nearly 500 bushels of corn as its share, and this corn is being fed to the pigs, which are making gains that promise a substantial contribution to the club's war-relief fund.

### THE MURDERERS AND LOOTERS MUST REPAY.

(Manufacturers' Record)  
The theory advanced by Secretary Daniels that we must not demand any indemnity from Germany would be false to the people of America if we should adopt it. We went to war to save ourselves from a band of murderers and robbers. An enormous cost we and our Allies have conquered them. Their campaign of murder was long planned and carried out with fearful frightfulness. It would be the height of folly to say that through the years American people shall bear the enormous burden of taxation and let the scoundrels go free. So far as we are concerned, no form of altruism could possibly justify enslaving ourselves with taxes while the murderers make no recompense.

### RENEW AGITATION FOR STATE EXHIBIT.

(Raleigh News and Observer)  
Renewed agitation for a North Carolina exhibit at Madison Square Garden or at Young's pier, Atlantic City, will follow the introduction of a bill in the General Assembly again this session to move the offices of the Department of Agriculture from where it now stands to the State College property in West Raleigh. A meeting of the industrial committee of the chamber of commerce of Raleigh is scheduled for the coming week, when the matter will be given further consideration.

### WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST.

Issued by the Weather Bureau Washington, for the period December 30 to January 4, 1919: Fair weather will prevail with return to normal temperatures.