

Times Says Britain Would Be Certain Join America in War

Influential London Newspaper Demands Abrogation of Treaty With Japan as Meaningless Document—Chinese Delegation Gets Down to Subject of "Laundry"—Openly Refers to Tokio's Aversion to "Washing of Soiled Diplomatic Linen"—Will Talk to Limit

(By the United Press)

Washington, Nov. 21.—France will cut in half her effective army by reducing by 50 per cent. the period of French military service, Premier Briand today told the arms limitation conference. This, he said, is France's offering to peace.

"Tomorrow it is certain that by action of the French government the period of military service will be cut in half," the premier said. "As a result of this France's army may be said to be reduced by half." Briand's pledge that France will cut her army, now the biggest in the world, came after he had painted a gloomy picture of the dangers facing France.

The French period of service, which Briand said would be cut in half, is three years.

Washington, Nov. 21.—Briand spoke for France today. Addressing the Conference on Limitation of Armament, the French premier brought before it the question of land armament. The first part of Briand's speech was devoted to an outline of the danger which, he said, faced France.

Germany, he said, still has a spirit of revenge. France, perhaps more than any other nation, wants to bring peace throughout the world, the Premier added.

It was as had been expected—a picture of France menaced by German hate—which Briand painted in explaining why his country, longing for disarmament, dared not do so.

America, he pointed out, has not realized the situation which lies at the very door of France, in Germany. With Ludendorff teaching war doctrines, France cannot close her eyes or relax her vigilance, Briand said, for, he declared, the Teuton war lords have maintained to a large degree the confidence of the German people.

London, Nov. 21.—Great Britain would be certain to join the United States in the event of war between America and Japan, the Times declared today in demanding abrogation of the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

Britain to Pledge Army Reduction

Washington, Nov. 21.—At the full conference to be staged today Premier Briand, standing at the head of the world's largest army, is expected to pledge as much of a cut in his nation's land force as he believes compatible with national safety.

China to Press Details

China's delegation will try hard to thwart Japan's openly expressed desire for sidetracking the "details" in Far Eastern conference, seeing what they call a Japanese "effort to escape washing of soiled diplomatic linen."

The Chinese let it be known today in advance of a Far Eastern committee meeting at 4 o'clock that they will soon press for open discussion of a number of "details," such as Shantung, Manchuria and secret treaty questions.

Presbyterians Will

Take on More Pep to Aid Home Missions

The Presbyterians here have been notified that November 20-27 has been set aside as Home Mission Week in the Presbyterian Church throughout the south. It was decided at the last General Assembly to appropriate \$720,000 for home mission work during the current year. According to reports, collection for the first six months are far behind the expectations of the committee and special efforts are being made by the Presbyterians to make up the deficit.

There are over 800 men and women

in the Southern Presbyterian Church engaged in home mission work and 10 nationalities are served in addition to special work in the mountain sections, where there are 250 workers.

Contributions last year by the various synods are of interest just at this time in view of the requirements for work this year. They are as follows: Alabama, \$15,124; Appalachia, \$21,096; Arkansas, \$11,156; Florida, \$12,190; Georgia, \$33,734; Kentucky, \$19,521; Louisiana, \$23,580; Mississippi, \$12,877; Missouri, \$23,933; North Carolina, \$49,654; Oklahoma, \$1,490; South Carolina, \$45,138; Tennessee, \$16,837; Texas, \$26,170; Virginia, \$84,733; West Virginia, \$9,110.

PINK HILL POSTMASTER

URGES CAREFUL ECONOMY.

Postmaster Jasper J. Smith of Pink Hill is engaged in an effort to protect the citizens of his community from the dangers of speculative investment, which last year cost the American public \$500,000,000 in fraudulent stock transactions. To counteract the menace, the postmaster has addressed a strong letter to a number of representative citizens urging the safe-guarding of their savings by investment in United States treasury certificates. Smith's letter stated a "nest egg" for future financial success was waiting at the postoffice in the form of securities exactly suited to every one's pocket, as they are issued in denominations of \$5, \$25, \$100 and \$1,000. These securities are insurable without cost against every form of loss to the purchaser and bear four per cent. interest, compounded quarterly, if held to maturity.

PARAGUAY IS EAGER FOR EDUCATION, IS MISSIONARY'S WORD

Christian Worker Back From South America Tells of Growth of School and Turning Away of Many for Whom There is No Room

A large and interesting congregation was present at the Gordon Street Christian Church Sunday at the morning hour to hear C. Manly Morton, missionary to Paraguay. F. E. Smith, who had expected to be with Mr. Morton, was unavoidably kept away. He will speak at the church Sunday, November 27, at the evening hour.

Mr. Morton stated that the difficulty of having to work without the fellowship, presence and advice of co-workers, which lot fell to missionaries, was made up in part by the consciousness of power which comes through the realization that those who are carrying the Gospel to heathen countries have the support and prayers of the loyal Christian people in the home land. He stressed the special need for orphanages in South America, stating that in all Argentine there was not a single orphanage for boys. He emphasized the fact that the schools, while sound theoretically, lacked instructors to instill the Christian faith. He said in closing that the schools being cared for by Mrs. Morton and himself had been enlarged to meet the requirements of 101 students, 38 over the number taken in the preceding year, but that more than were admitted were turned away on account of lack of room, and that hundreds who would have come had there been adequate room, stayed away.

At the evening hour, Mr. Morton and Miss Myrtle Azbell, State secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, made interesting talks and showed stereopticon pictures of the mission stations and workers.

Without Complete Rehearsals Tableaux Are Given in Fine Style—Fifth Membership Drive of Chapter Gets Under Way

RED CROSS PAGEANT USHERS IN ANNUAL ROLL CALL IN CITY

Large Audience Sees "Red Cross of Peace" at Grand Theatre Presentation Success

(By D. T. EDWARDS)

Before an audience that packed the Grand Theatre as probably it has never been packed before, local talent Sunday afternoon presented the peace-time program of the American Red-Cross in a spectacular and exceedingly pleasing manner. It was a notable success from beginning to end and reflects much credit, not only upon Mrs. S. G. Walker, the general chairman, Mrs. Lee McB. White, who had charge of the music and the pageant marshals, who were severally responsible for the act, but upon all who took part in it. The pageant marshals were Mesdames J. E. Parrott, R. E. Copeland, S. C. Sitterson, Dan W. Parrott, T. V. Moseley, James A. Powers, N. J. Rouse, Frank Marston, J. Fred Taylor and Misses Mary Warren and Olive Spear. Over 200 people participated in the cast and without a "hitch" the pageant was presented—not having been prepared for by a single complete rehearsal.

The story told by the "Red Cross of Peace," represented by Miss Phoebe Norworthy, a commission to alleviate the sufferings of humanity. After this returned soldier in the person of Larry Smith, wanted to know what need there was for the Red Cross of peace, whereupon she presented the entire program in five sections, showing the nursing service, the home health service, the disaster service and the Junior Red Cross service.

The Community's Response. Then, in part third, came the big Red Cross roll call ensemble, to which the community's response was attractively given by Mrs. Nan Goodson Howard in a promise to stand by the Red Cross and by enrollment assist the organization to carry out its program of helpfulness and mercy. Chairman White's Appeal.

Before the curtain was raised Chairman Lee McB. White, of the roll call, explained the purpose of the pageant and laid special stress upon the very efficient nursing service the Red Cross is now maintaining in Lenoir County as an adjunct to the regular public health service. This is costing the chapter about \$200 a month; and unless the chapter's efforts are sustained by the public through enrollment it cannot maintain the service it is now providing. Further Roll Call Plans.

At a meeting held in the evening Chairman White announced that the Rotary Club of the city had tendered the Red Cross a canvas of the residential districts. The meeting will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

Thus the fifth Red Cross roll call is now on. It is the "Spirit of Humanity" asking the people of Lenoir County to answer the call to service, local, national and world-wide in scope as it is coming to us in these days. And what noble appeal can be made than this? What cause is more sacred than lies in the uplift of humanity?

Denial That Prince of Wales Has Been Killed by Indian

London, Nov. 21.—Rumors circulated on the streets here today that the Prince of Wales had been assassinated in India were promptly denied at Downing Street.

STATE NEWS

Miss Beall Woodward of Washington, D. C., was killed instantly at Chapel Hill Sunday night when an automobile skidded in a village street and knocked her down.

The "Red Cross of Peace," "roll call" pageant, is being shown at Wilmington.

The Universities of Florida and North Carolina will play at Jacksonville December 3. Each team has played the University of South Carolina to a 7-7 tie, so that their chances appear even.

The Manufacturers' Record will play up the port of Wilmington in special articles.

PASTOR READ COMES BACK TO QUEEN ST. METHODIST CHURCH

While Mr. Edwards Will Leave City—Conference Appointments Announced. Those in New Bern District Detailed

(Special to Free Press.)

New Bern, Nov. 21.—At the closing of the North Carolina Methodist Conference here last night Bishop Darlington read the ministerial appointments, the most important business of the week for the tens of thousands Methodists in the conference territory. The appointments ran into hundreds.

Rev. Charles L. Read was returned to Queen Street church at Kinston. He will serve another year with that congregation and then be transferred.

Rev. John R. Edwards of Caswell Street church, Kinston, was ordered to transfer to Day's Creek circuit. Mr. Edwards has been at Kinston a comparatively short time. A new minister will take his place as pastor.

Rev. Hillary Humble, formerly of Queen Street, goes to Fayetteville after four years here, and in his place will come Rev. W. V. McRae, now at Fayetteville.

The full list of New Bern district appointments follows: Presiding elder, P. M. Shambarger; Atlantic and Sea Level, E. J. Lewis; Beaufort, E. B. Craven; Craven circuit, D. A. Futrell; Dover circuit, S. A. Nettles; Goldsboro, Elm Street and Pikeville, C. P. Jerome; St. John, J. W. Potter; St. Paul, G. T. Adams; Goldsboro circuit, C. A. Jones; Grifton circuit, S. T. Moyles; Hargetts circuit, W. T. Coble; Hooker circuit, R. R. Grant; Jones circuit, K. F. Duval; Kinston, Caswell Street, L. M. Carraway; Queen Street, C. L. Read; LaGrange circuit, R. E. Pittman; Morehead City, W. A. Cade; Mount Olive and Calypso, G. B. Starling; Mount Olive circuit, W. F. Craven; New Bern, Centenary, W. M. Rae; Riverside and Ghent, Guy Hamilton; Newport circuit, R. A. Bruton; Orange and Portsmouth, J. K. Worthington; Oriental circuit, O. P. Fitzgerald; Pamlico circuit, J. A. Morris; Pink Hill circuit, R. W. Barfield; Straits circuit, Samuel Leffers; E. W. Glass superannuated; Snow Hill circuit, C. T. Rogers; Vandemere circuit, W. E. Hocutt; student Boston University, H. B. Hill.

Rector Says Church Wedding Should Be No Show for Throng

Persons who flock to a wedding merely to see the finery and without proper regard for the sacredness of the event and sanctity of the church in which the ceremony is performed, do a "dangerous thing for their souls," the Rev. Francis J. H. Coffin, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, declared in an address to his congregation Sunday. Mr. Coffin referred to the present-day tendency to consider a marriage in church a spectacle and the promiscuousness of many who attend to forget to treat the ceremony with the solemnity it deserves.

No Pardon for Mob Leader, Goldsboro Man Must Serve Term

By MAX ABERNETHY

(Special Correspondent)

Raleigh, Nov. 19.—Governor Cameron Morrison yesterday refused to extend executive clemency to H. B. Futrell, who was convicted of inciting a riot and trying to lynch two negroes at Goldsboro in December of last year, by breaking into the Wayne County jail where the negroes were held during the trial. Futrell was the leader of the mob and was arrested soon after the machine gun company from Durham had been called to the scene to prevent a lynching.

A SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTING FOR COTTON GINNERS.

Washington, Nov. 18.—A system of accounting aimed to meet the needs of cotton ginneries generally as they are operated in the cotton belt has been worked out by the Department of Agriculture and is now published as department bulletin 985, entitled "A System of Accounting for Cotton Ginneries." Special attention is given to the needs of custom ginneries, but it is believed that ginneries on private plantations will find this system of accounting helpful. No previous knowledge of bookkeeping, it is said, is necessary for using the system, each step of which is fully described in the bulletin.

NO GRAVES IN POTTER'S FIELD FOR LEGION MEN.

(By the United Press.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 21.—The little "dog tag" of the army is all that saved "Private William Ausman, No. 189993" from a grave in the Potter's Field here following the death by falling from a downtown building. When Victory Post of the American Legion learned that the former soldier faced a pauper's burial, arrangements were made for a military funeral. A firing squad and a delegation of legionnaires attended the services at the mortuary, but when the cortege drew up to a newly-dug grave in the Potter's Field, the legion men objected to the burial there of their comrade. The body was interred at Forest Lawn Cemetery. An investigation by the legionnaires revealed that several World War heroes who died friendless and penniless had been buried in the Potter's Field. The bodies will be disinterred.

Bryan is Optimistic Over the Situation

Japan Has Done Fine Things by Conference—Little Giant of East Deserves Praise of Powers—Down to Details, the Big Principles Agreed Upon—Military Men Do Not Figure Largely—This a Meeting of Moral Forces and Taxpayers of World

By WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN (Copyrighted by the United Press)

Washington, Nov. 21.—Japan has delighted her friends and disappointed, accordingly, her enemies. She has proposed a settlement of the Far Eastern question that seems all that could be desired. Baron Kato presented in his statement to the Committee on the Far Eastern Problems four principles that are broad enough to furnish the foundation for permanent settlement of the controversy between Japan and China, and as a matter of fact, between China and the rest of the world. First, the open door; second, equal opportunity in China; third, the Chinese must themselves work out their domestic situation; fourth, there shall be no interference in the international affairs of China.

The open door and equal opportunity for China is all that the other nations can ask. The right to work out her own affairs is China's chief convention. It admits China to full fellowship with the other great nations. The policy proposed by Japan is entirely consistent with the spirit of the conference as embodied in the proposal for reduction of armaments. Friendship and goodwill are to furnish the foundation upon which relations between China and other nations will be built. What can be more desirable?

Now, it will be in order for those who have misrepresented Japan's attitude to admit their mistake and applaud "the little giant of the Orient" upon the justice and generosity of her proposition. The three things most talked about are the extent to which navies can be reduced, the extent to which armies can be reduced, and settlement of the over-shadowing question of the Orient.

The first day cleared away all doubt as to navies. The mere announcement of the plan by Secretary Hughes assured its acceptance, and acceptances were announced even before the holding of the next session.

Now comes the proposition of Japan that please all nations, and this question is taken out of the list of disputes and made a matter of detail.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dawson to Celebrate Golden Wedding November 30

John H. Dawson, county treasurer here many years, and Mrs. Annie Dawson will celebrate the 50th anniversary of their wedding November 30. Never has there been a golden wedding in this vicinity to attract as much interest as will this. "All the folks" will not be present, it is probable, because Mr. and Mrs. Dawson's relations and intimate friends are so numerous they couldn't all get on the same block with the Dawson residence in Northwest Kinston.

Simple preparations are being made for the event. The prospective celebrators are planning to remain at home all day to shake hands with callers. These will number hundreds at the least estimate. There will not be many frills. "Cards" will be sent out to as many of the friends of the popular couple as they can think of, but it will be impossible to get these to everyone in the ranks of "their friends," so that a blanket "bid" will be issued simultaneously with the invitations.

The septuagenarian county official usually leads the Democratic ticket. William Jennings Bryan and some of the "other boys" have been mighty popular in Lenoir County in years past, but never as popular as "Uncle Johnny." He makes no campaign. He is re-elected term after term just as a matter of course. Sometimes he goes out on the "circuit" with "the boys," gets up and tells the constituency he is glad to see them, and is cheered vociferously. The friendly Mr. Dawson is probably without an enemy in the world. He is the father of John G. Dawson, member of the General Assembly from this county.

FOCH FOUND LOT FRENCH RESERVES AT WOONSOCKET.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 21.—It will be remembered that Woonsocket, R. I., entered the World War before the United States severed diplomatic relations. At least, this city in 1914 sent 128 French reservists to the colors of France. So when Marshal Foch stopped off in Woonsocket to be the guest of the American Legion he was greeted by the survivors of the poilu reserve contingent. There were about 60 of them in their horizon blue uniforms and some of them went with the joy of seeing their former commander. During the stay of the Foch party, the marshal was entertained by Andrew F. Young, Post of the Legion. In Providence, Marshal Foch spoke at Brown University from the same place where Washington had addressed the Frenchmen who fought with the United States during the Revolutionary War. Many of the French wounded at Yorktown were cared for at Brown.

Cotton

The market was stronger Monday. Local receipts, 25 to 30 bales, were light. Prices here ranged from 18.50 downward, except a few exceptionally good bales, which held higher.

	Open	Close
January	17.31	17.29
March	17.35	17.34
May	17.00	16.98
July	16.55	16.57
December	17.30	17.38

WAKE FOREST LOSER TO STATE COLLEGE; TRINITY TIES N. Y.

Harvard Wins From Yale in Annual Crimson-Blue Clash—Four Eastern Carolina Teams Remain in Championship Prelims.

(Special to Free Press.)

Raleigh, Nov. 21.—State football teams engaged in two major contests Saturday. State College defeated Wake Forest 14 to 0, while Trinity all but won from New York University on the latter's grounds, the score being 7-7 as a result of a final desperate rush which enabled the New Yorkers to score.

The biggest game of the day in the country was the annual Harvard-Yale match, the former winning 10 to 3.

As a result of Fayetteville High School's defeat of Wilmington 20 to 0, only four teams are left in the Eastern championship preliminaries. These are New Bern, Sanford, Durham and Fayetteville. New Bern and Durham will meet Saturday, and Fayetteville and Sanford will also clash during the week.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press.)

COTTON GINNERS' REPORT.

Washington, Nov. 21.—Cotton ginned to November 14 from this year's crop, counting round as half bales, totaled 7,270,575 bales, the Census Bureau reported today. Last year's total was 8,914,642 bales.

FARMERS' MEET.

Atlanta, Nov. 21.—Farmers from 45 states gathered here today for the third annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation. Governor Thomas L. Hardwick of Georgia; J. R. Howard, president of the federation, and Dr. Andrew Scales, eminent agriculturalist, made the principal speeches.

ACTIVITY IN COTTON SPINNING INDUSTRY.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The Department of Commerce, through the Bureau of the Census, announces that 34,221,646 cotton spindles were operated at some time during the month of October, compared with 33,838,415 for September, 1921, and 33,771,988 for October, 1920. The aggregate number of spindle hours for the month was 7,583,842,519. Based on an activity of 25 1-2 days (allowance being made for the observance of Columbus Day in some states) of 34 hours per day, the average number of spindles operated for the month was 34,579,765, which compares with 34,523,891 for September.

Weather Outlook for the Period.

For South Atlantic and East Gulf States: Cold, with freezing temperature in interior; frost, except southern Florida. Generally fair with probability of rains middle of week.