

ENGLAND TO YIELD TO PROTESTS UNITED STATES AND SWEDEN

Will Take No Risk of Becoming Involved With Neutrals, Believed

DENMARK IS NEUTRAL

Neither Side Will Give Little Nation Cause for Anger — Germany Wants Use of Her Ports and Allies Foodstuffs

(By the United Press)
London, Jan. 26.—The British government has virtually decided to stand pat on its present trade regulations. It is expected to make no announcement of an actual blockade of the entire German coast.

The present net may be tightened, but the general belief is that the protest from the United States and Sweden and the fear of becoming involved with neutrals may halt the blockade.

Denmark Sure to Remain Out of War.
London, Jan. 26.—War rumblings may disturb Sweden, but Denmark is certain to keep out of the strife. If that country fights at all it will be on the side of the Allies, although it could be rapidly invaded by Germany. Germany wants her to remain neutral so that she can use the ports. England wants her to be neutral so she can continue to receive Danish food supplies.

MRS. MOHR TO TAKE STAND LATE TODAY

State Closed This Morning—Woman Accused of Instigating Husband's Murder Will Tell of Their Relations—Has Stood Up Well Under Strain of the Trial—Policemen Testify

(By the United Press)
Providence, Jan. 26.—Attorney Cushing announced that Mrs. Mohr is to take the stand late today when the defense opens its case in the trial of the woman for her husband's murder. Her composure during the trial has been good. She will tell the story of their marital relations.

EL PASO THINKS NOT VILLA SHOULD BE HAD

(By the United Press)
El Paso, Jan. 26.—Dissatisfaction is felt here at the progress of the progress of the Carranzista plans for the capture of Villa. It is feared 20 Americans in Mexico will be safe until Villa's band is exterminated.

WALL STREET MUCH PLEASED WITH SELF

(By the United Press)
New York, Jan. 26.—Wall Street is pleased. Its judgment that the country is making money was vindicated by the placing of Steel Common, old, on a 5 per cent. basis. Another boom in trading is expected. There was general surprise and gratification over the great earnings shown by the company.

LIKELY TO DETERMINE IF WOMAN WAS GIVEN POISON, SAYS CORONER

Coroner Eugene Wood, who accompanied New Bern physicians to Stoughton Creek Tuesday to secure the viscera from the remains of Mrs. Rachel Hopewell, whose husband is being held at New Bern on the charge of poisoning her, stated today that the body was in very fair conditions considering that it had been interred six months or so. The anatomical parts to be sent to State chemists at Raleigh for inspection for traces of poison were well preserved. Water, a natural preservative, was found in the casket with the corpse. Coroner Wood thinks the chemists should be able to discover, even this late, if the woman was poisoned or not, he stated after a conference with Drs. Patterson and Pollock, from New Bern.

New Bern reports the fish and oyster supplies both short.

AUSTRIANS OVE'RUN ALBANIA AND SWEEP ENEMY B'FORE THEM

Take Seaport and Large Bodies Troops Are Made Captives

ITALIANS AWAIT THEM

Expected to Engage Victors When They Reach Sector in South—Invaders Hope to Tie Lines of Communication

(By the United Press)
Rome, Jan. 26.—Austrian troops have occupied the Albanian seaport of San Giovanni di Medua, and are pressing southward toward Durazzo, according to dispatches. They plan to form a juncture with the Bulgarians. Part of the Montenegrin and Albanian forces have been captured with Scutari.

PROMINENT DUPLIN MAN DIED TUESDAY EVENING

Mr. Scott Stanford of Kenansville, Brother of Representative Stanford. Called to Reward—Beloved and Honored by Many

(Contributed)
Mr. Scott Stanford, a prominent citizen of Duplin county, died at his home in Kenansville, Tuesday afternoon.

CONFERENCE LEADERS TWO MILLION WORKERS

Being Held in England—Strong Opposition to the Consumption Measure—To Discuss Taxation and Peace Suggestions—Powerful Organization Is Holding Sessions in Bristol

REVENUE MEASURES TO BE CONSIDERED BY CONGRESS SOON

All Important Tax Bills to Come Before the Committee

KEATING BILL IN HOUSE

Fight Reached Floor Today — Southerners Declare It Unconstitutional. Child Labor Bill Is Apt to Carry, Believed

(By the United Press)
Washington, Jan. 26.—Steps toward consideration of revenue legislation were taken today by the Democratic leaders of the House. The ways and means committee will meet next week to consider revision of the income tax, inheritance tax plans, taxation of war munitions and the creation of a tariff commission.

KEATING BILL APT TO CARRY, SAID

The fight in Congress on the Keating child labor bill reached the House floor today. It is believed the bill will carry. Some Southerners oppose it and charge that it is unconstitutional.

TOUGH LOT OF MEN AT HOPEWELL, BUT FARE LIKE PRINCES

They are the toughest lot of men, on the whole, who work at the DuPont's plant in Hopewell that he ever ran up against, says T. C. Conway, a steamfitter recently employed there who has come to Kinston to live. But the DuPonts treat their employes well, he declares.

MASTODON REMAINS MAY ATTRACT SCIENTISTS

Second Specimen of That Beast of the Stone Age to Be Found in Eastern Carolina Uncovered Not Far From Kinston—Other Freaks On Plantation Include Head of Unclassified Bird

STATE FORESTERS' MEETING COMES TO CLOSE WITH OUTING

New Bern Meeting Largely Attended and Interest Manifested Encouraging to Friends of Conserving State's Resources

(By H. Galt Braxton)
New Bern, Jan. 26.—The State Forestry Association concluded its program Tuesday night with the illustrated address by Dr. James Hyde Pratt, state geologist. The delegates were the guests of the New Bern reception committee afterwards at an oyster roast given in the store of Hyman Supply Company.

This morning the delegates and their friends were guests of the local lumbermen in a trip to the Roper Lumber Company's plant at Camp Perry. Forty or fifty were in the party, and it was announced when they left that the return would be made about 3 o'clock this afternoon.

In the story yesterday it was erroneously made to appear that Mr. Smoot had stated that the lumber interests look from the woods and gave nothing in return. This should have read that the State itself received in revenue from the taxable timber lands and the allied industries approximately a half million dollars annually, and gave nothing in return in the shape of appropriations for the conservation of the forests and the reforestation of the cut lands.

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GOUNARIS GREEK PREMIER?

Amsterdam, Jan. 26.—A serious state of affairs in Athens is emphasized by the report that Gounaris is to succeed Skoloudis as prime minister. The King believes he needs a younger and more energetic man at the helm of the government.

CRAIG CRITICIZES UTTERANCES JUDGE CLARK ON LYNCHING

"Astounding That He Holds Courts Responsible for Mobs"

RAPS COTTON MILL MEN

For Employing Their Influence to Defeat Inspection Bill—Such Conduct Antagonistic to Anti-Child Labor Helps Keating Bill

(Special to The Free Press)
Charlotte, Jan. 26.—"The press and the pulpit and patriotic citizens have spoken with emphasis and sounded a clear note that public sentiment in North Carolina is against such deeds," declared Governor Craig in his address before the Social Service Conference here late yesterday. The State, said the Governor, will no longer tolerate lynchings. "Outside of Wayne county there is the one discord in the note of qualified condemnation—and that is from the Chief Justice of the State!" He was referring to the recent lynching of a black alleged murderer near Goldsboro and Chief Justice Clark's stand on the matter. "It is astounding that he should hold the courts responsible for the mobs," he said. "This serious charge is made in general against our courts; it should have been made special." The view of some people of Wayne county that leniency on the part of judges in that county in former instances was responsible for the recent lynching had been, in general, sustained by Justice Clark.

The Governor in his address upbraided the cotton mill interests of the State. He spoke against child labor. "The defeat" by the mill men "of the bill providing for official inspection was a blunder. If they deny to constituted authority to look in upon their business they give color to the charge that like the white-washed sepulchre they appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead man's bones and of all uncleanness. It is such conduct that gives strength to the bill now pending before Congress. But it seems to me that this measure is tainted with selfishness of industries in other sections to avoid competition with our industries."

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SETTLEMENT BETWEEN OPERATORS AND MINERS

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GRUDGINGLY KAISER WILL COMPLY WITH AMERICAN DEMANDS

Believed Germany Will Backdown After New Representations

UNITED STATES INSISTS

That Berlin Admit That Lusitania's Sinking Was Illegal — Imperial Government Won't Be Able to "Save Its Face"

(By the United Press.)
Washington, Jan. 26.—Ambassador Von Bernstorff saw Secretary Lansing at noon to again discuss the settlement of the Lusitania matter. The United States is insisting that Germany acknowledge that the sinking of the vessel was illegal. Germany is attempting to "save her face," but it is believed an adjustment will be arrived at within a week.

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In passing a twelve-months' sentence in Superior Court Tuesday afternoon on a prisoner convicted of retailing, Judge Allen took occasion to refer to Judge Connor's remarks about making arrests without warrants. He said that he thought Judge Connor must have been misunderstood. He gave it as his opinion that Judge Connor was correct in stating that a citizen could bring whisky of any quantity into the State, provided he brought it solely for his own use; but one who did "took the risk of having to explain, and if an officer had reason to believe and was satisfied that a person had whisky in his possession—more than a quart—for the purpose of sale, it was his duty to arrest without warrant. Just as much so as it would be if he saw a man on the streets and was satisfied he had a pistol on him to arrest him without a warrant."

Judge Allen made it plain that reputable citizens, he did not think were in danger of being falsely arrested, but that those who were known to the police to be violating the law, and who were under suspicion, had better beware about coming into the State with more liquor than the prescribed quart. He said this also applied to the cases of automobiles which were used to transfer the liquor into the State, and that it was not practicable for the suspecting officer to go off after a warrant while a machine was speeding through the State with liquor. The officers must use discretion, he emphasized, and not make unnecessary arrests or overstep their authority, but they must exercise vigilance, and when they had good reason to suspect a law violation, they took little chance, he thought, in making arrests on the spot.

E. W. Mincher, a guard of county convicts, is the subject of an investigation being conducted by the Grand Jury of the present Superior Court term. The jury after the customary inspection trip, made Tuesday, asked for subpoenas for witnesses. The jurors hear complaints of harsh treatment of prisoners by Mincher. It is alleged that he is almost if not quite brutal in his treatment of the men in his charge. He has figured in a former court case in which bad conduct was charged against him since he has been a member of the force of guards.

Cases disposed of in the Court Tuesday were: Richard Lane, having more than the legal quantity of whisky, and for sale, 12 months on the roads; Connie Jones, larceny, not guilty; John Koonce, larceny, mistrial; Guy Langston, forgery, four months on the roads; J. E. Dupree, assault, not guilty; Lonnie Harris, skipping fine and costs, held open. It has been intimated that Langston, who when arrested for passing several bad checks informed against a number of men and boys with whom he had played pool for money and gambled in other ways, thereby causing quite a stir around town, several weeks ago, will not be compelled to serve on the roads as a prisoner. Langston, it is thought may be hired out to give him another chance.