

CONGRESS ADJOURNED TEN O'CLOCK THIS MORNING; SESSION THAT LASTED THREE-QUARTERS OF YEAR HIST'RY-MAKING ONE

Little of the Spectacular at Close, But Fiery Speechmaking in Senate in Last Hours—Canadian Officials Accused of Lobbying in Favor of Fisheries—Investigation Ordered—Lewis Charges Russia and Japan Conspiring to Drive American Trade From Orient and Takes State Department to Task for 'Peculiar Silence'—President Signs Bills and Leaves for Atlantic City and the Summer White House at Long Branch

(By the United Press)

Washington, Sept. 8.—Congress adjourned at 10 o'clock this morning after a session that lasted longer and enjoyed more dramatic moments than any of recent years, and appropriated more money than any that had preceded it.

The session was closed amid scenes that contained little of the bizarre or spectacular. President Wilson went to his room in the Capitol and signed the bills passed during the closing hours. These include the revenue, workingmen's compensation, deficiency and widows' pension bills.

Serious charges were made today of a lobby by Canadian officials, including Sir Joseph Polk, to prevent the passage of an amendment to the revenue bill which would have prevented admission into the United States of frozen halibut and salmon from the North Pacific, except when sent in bond from an American port. A resolution by Senator Curtis ordered an investigation by the lobby committee. Senator Chamberlain declared "the time has come when the country must know just how far foreign countries are going through diplomatic and commercial agencies, to influence congressional legislation."

President Wilson left after the adjournment for Atlantic City, to address the suffrage convention, and Long Branch, where he will spend some time, in an automobile.

Lewis Scores State Department.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Declaring that Japan and Russia are combining to force America out of the Far East, Senator Lewis scored the State Department today for its "peculiar silence" and "apparently little effort to insist on American rights in the Orient."

NEW D'NISH RIGSDAG ANOTHER STRIP ON TO DISCUSS SALE OF RAILROAD NEAREST ISLANDS IN NOV'M'B'R TO THE NORTH POLE

(By the United Press)

Copenhagen, Sept. 8.—It is announced that the new Danish Rigsdag is to meet November 1 to discuss the proposed sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States for \$25,000,000.

The Rigsdag is the Danish Congress. The House of Representatives is called the Folkething. It will recruit new members at an election in October. The Senate is called the Landsting. Election to membership therein will be held about the same time.

Although there has been some argument as to the price to be given for the islands and some hints of pressure by the United States having been brought to bear upon Denmark to force the sale of the islands, it is not expected that there will be any opposition to the sale's completion.

CALL'D TO COLORS AS MAN, FOUND TO BE A WOMAN; A TRAGEDY

(By the United Press)

London, Aug. 20.—(By Mail)—Called to the colors as a man, a woman who had masqueraded in male attire and pretended to be married to another woman so her husband could not find her, was forced to acknowledge her sex before the army medical board today.

Unhappily married six years ago and her two babies dead, this woman left her husband, and so she could get work, masqueraded as a man and

(By the United Press)

Winnipeg, Mani., Sept. 8.—Rafts will be laid the last of this month to a point near Kettle Rapids, as an extension to the Hudson Bay Railroad, the closest line in the world to the North Pole. The road is now 800 or more miles north of the Pass. It will run as far north as weather permits.

SMALL FIRE TODAY.

Trifling damage was done at a house in Shine street owned by Bettie Lawrence at about 12:50 p. m. A defective flue or spark probably started the blaze.

CURTAILED ELECTRIC SERVICE

Electric service will be had in the city only during the hours of church services next Sunday, because of alterations at the light plant. After that all-day service will be furnished on Sundays as well as on week days.

married her boarding house keeper's daughter.

The circumstances of the "marriage" were astounding.

Having a real man sweetheart who had betrayed and deserted her, the landlady's daughter faced real trouble. She told the man-woman, who had confessed the disguise to her and her mother. So they were "married" and took a cottage in London. When the baby was born none of the neighbors suspected but that the "husband" was its father.

The "family" lived this way for four years and had it not been for the conscription act, the ruse might never have been discovered. Her plea for exemption from service on the ground of "indispensability" having failed after facing a medical examination by the officials, she confessed.

WAR COSTS ALLIES MORE THAN MILLION MEN THREE MONTHS

Is German Estimate; Russians Lost More Than 600,000, It's Figured

LITTLE TO SHOW FOR IT

Berlin Boasts That Empty Victories Have Been Won by Enemies -- Toll in Flesh and Blood Has Been Appalling

(By the United Press)

Berlin, Sept. 8.—The Allies have lost more than a million men in killed, wounded and missing since the grand offensive of the Entente powers opened with the Russian attack three months ago. The estimate is by German military experts, who believe it is conservative.

Against these losses the Allies have only the conquest of Eukowina and some Galician territory by the Russians, the capture of Goritz by the Italians, the shallow thrust into the German lines on the Somme, and the occupation of mountainous Transylvanian territory by the Roumanians as positive military achievements.

The armies of the Central powers are keeping their lines intact everywhere under tremendous pressure, while at the same time they have struck back with success in the Balkans.

The Allies' losses are estimated as follows: Russian, 600,000; British, 230,000; French, 150,000; Italian, Serbian and Roumanian, 50,000. The Russian losses may exceed 800,000; the British and French combined may have lost more than 400,000, it is said. Official London lists place the losses of the British at 125,000 in August alone.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

THOUGHT GRECE WAS ENEMY.

Athens, Sept. 8.—A German submarine is reported to have fired on the Greek steamer Eleni, the commander apologizing later, saying he thought Greece was at war with Germany.

ENGLISH SHIPS SUNK.

London, Sept. 8.—The Ellerman liner Tagus, the British steamer Straley and the British steamer Hazelwood have been sunk, the latter off Yarmouth. The crew of the Straley was saved. The Tagus was of 6,000 tons and the Hazelwood of 3,000.

COAST ARTILLERYMEN BACK FROM THE LINE

Wilmington, Sept. 7.—After having spent nearly half a year on the Mexican border, the 31st Coast Artillery arrived in the city this morning and late in the day embarked for Fort Caswell where they were stationed previous to being ordered to the border. The company left the border several days ago and has been traveling continuously ever since in two pullmans and one express car. It is in command of Capt. Francis N. Cooke and Lieutenants Prentice and Welchner.

TWO MEN KILLED IN AUTO-TRAIN SMASHUP

Albemarle, Sept. 7.—Two men are dead and another seriously injured as the result of a collision of a Ford motor truck and passenger train No. 63 of the Winston-Salem Southbound Railway Company, which occurred late this afternoon, just north of the city. The dead are G. K. Kearnes and John Merritt, both of Albemarle. The injured is Claud E. Merritt, a brother of John Merritt.

EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY TH'S'D BALES COTTON IS GINNED

That Much of New Crop Had Been Handled by September 1, Report Indicates—464,000 Bales by Same Date Last Year

(By the United Press)

Washington, Sept. 8.—A report by the United States Department of Commerce shows 850,000 bales of cotton ginned from the 1916 crop prior to September 1, against 464,000 by the same date last year, and 440 bales of Sea Island against 1,913 last year. Domestic consumption in the fiscal year ending last July was 1,400,000.

IN NO HURRY BRING TROOPS BACK FROM MEXICO AND BORDER

(By the United Press)

Washington, Sept. 8.—Neither the militia on the border nor Pershing's column will be withdrawn until the Mexican-American peace commission reports, it is stated on high authority. In the meantime the plans to send other guardsmen to the border will not be altered.

CIGARMAKERS STRIKE BUT SOON RESUME WORK

Greensboro, Sept. 7.—One hundred and sixty employees of a local cigar factory here struck today to enforce a demand for higher wages and a change in working hours. A committee appointed by the workmen called on the management of the factory and after a conference called off the strike. It was understood the change in working hours was granted but that the increase in wages was refused.

BAD AMAZONS BREAK MONOTONY IN POLICE COURT; LONG TERMS

Ada McNeil and Elizabeth Armstrong, who drew 12 months each when convicted of assault, disorderly conduct, etc., in the Recorder's Court Thursday, were responsible for the most interesting session of the local tribunal in months and months. "Independent," "sassy," "bull-headed" and at times downright venomous, they let His Honor the Court know that they didn't care "a—" what he did with them. They expressed precisely that sentiment when they walked down stairs to go to the jail.

The couple "jawed" at each other in court. "Wilmington's my home; I guess I kin ride on trains as much as I please," and "She never played wid me; she played wid my sister; she's a show gal," and "Dat gal, she tried to kill me; she wuz a-goin' to stick a knife right down in my head," were some of the statements of the principals. Frequently they voluntarily assisted in the examination of witnesses. One had a bad wound on her head, inflicted by the other. One was very drunk; the other nearly so. The local police court is no place for amusement, but the spectators could not resist their inclination to laugh. One woman referred to an officer as a "graveyard policeman," and when that same officer assisted in taking the prisoner out of court cursed him in a profane masterpiece of about a dozen words. They were inadvertently put into the same cell, whereupon the soberest inquired of a policeman, "What did they do with this woman?" Informed that they both drew alike, she expressed satisfaction; had it been otherwise she intended to beat her sister in misery to death, she declared.

TRIO OF NOTABLES SPEAKERS AT ANN'L DINNER GREENSBORO

Conservation Discussed by Baker, Small and Poteat. Tell How to Preserve and Build Up National Resources

(Special to The Free Press)

Greensboro, Sept. 8.—Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, Congressman John H. Small and President W. L. Poteat of Wake Forest College were the honor guests and speakers at the second annual dinner of the Chamber of Commerce and the State Normal College, held at the college last night. The conservation of the national resources was the theme for the dinner. At the first dinner, in the Fall of 1915, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo was the principal speaker, and Pan-Americanism his subject.

Secretary Baker declared that the people of the Nation must make sacrifices for the national good, that physical betterment should be the aim of the populace, and that the Democratic party had accomplished a great deal looking toward the conservation of the country's resources. Dr. Poteat confined himself to the "Conservation of the Resources of North Carolina." Mr. Small, "father of the inland waterway," discussed transportation problems and stated that North Carolina has magnificent possibilities in its rivers and other inland waters.

Secretary Baker made an address to a thousand persons in Winston-Salem during the afternoon.

ALLIES CAN BACK DOWN WITHOUT HUMILIATION

Washington, Sept. 7.—The expectation of officials here is that any change the Allies may decide to make as a result of the trade reprisal provisions in the revenue bill will be made gradually rather than in the form of a blanket modification of the blockade. By exercising greater leniency in cases of detained cargoes, by less rigorously enforcing the black list, by permitting mails to pass through more quickly and by similar means, it is pointed out, a great part of the annoyance to Americans could be eliminated without formal acknowledgment of defeat in the diplomatic controversy.

GOING ON IN OTHER TOWNS AND COUNTIES OF EAST'N CAROLINA

New Bern's water commerce is now picking up. "Not a day passes but that half a dozen schooners and barges either come into this port from the North or leave for that section with cargoes," says the New Bern Sun-Journal.

Heavy rains this week have caused half a dozen or more washouts along the Wilmington-New Bern line of the A. C. L.

An unusual number of last year's high school students returned to school at Greenville this fall, in fact, all but three except graduates. An automobile, found together with four bodies of negroes in Pantego creek at Belhaven Thursday, was the property of Virgil Howard, one of the victims. The bodies of Howard, Allen Mann, Dora Harding and Besie Wahab were recovered. There is believed to have been a fifth passenger. It is thought the car went over the side of a bridge when the driver lost control of it. Pantego creek is a river in width, and it is thought the fifth corpse may be found some distance from where the car was located.

MORE THAN HALF A MILLION POUNDS ON LOCAL LEAF MARKET

Breaks May Be as Heavy as Thursday's, and Average Price as Good or Better—Very Successful Week all Round

Today's sales of tobacco promise to be as heavy if not heavier than Thursday's. About 575,000 pounds was estimated to be the total on hand. Sales had not been commenced on some floors early in the afternoon, and there was a prospect for a block.

The average price, it is said, will be fully up to Thursday's, which was the best in several days. The bright, warm weather, and the tendency of prices to increase, were among the things responsible for the big breaks of today. Planters were here from the country north of Kinston in greater number than on any preceding day of the season, it is said. A number were from the neighborhoods of markets of considerable importance. The local market, tobaccoists declare, is leading the belt just now, and it would be no big surprise to some to see Kinston wind up in first place for the season.

Well above a million pounds will have been sold by the time the week's business is over. The total for the five days, with bad weather for more than half of the week, may even go to 1,500,000 pounds.

FORD SUES CHICAGO TRIBUNE FOR MILLION

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 7.—Suit for \$1,000,000 was filed by Henry Ford, the Detroit manufacturer, against the Chicago Tribune in the United States District court here today. Mr Ford asks for personal damages as compensation for an editorial printed in the Tribune, June 23, which, it is alleged called Ford an anarchist.

COTTON MARKET TODAY; NO SALES THIS CITY

There were no receipts on the local cotton exchange today. Today's New York futures quotations were:

	Open	2:40
January	15.33	15.29
March	15.50	15.43
May	15.67	15.58
October	15.14	15.03
December	15.22	15.20

By an inadvertency in reporting quotations on Wednesday and Thursday it was made to appear that the staple had jumped considerably on the latter day, while the opposite was the case.

FINE TOBACCO SALES ON PINK HILL MART

Pink Hill, Sept. 7.—The tobacco sales on this market yesterday were very heavy. The warehouse was filled from wall to wall and good averages were made. Some of the finest tobacco grown in the world is now showing up. Willie Westbrook, who lives on Mr. Lonnie Smith's place in Smith's township, near Pink Hill, sold his entire crop on the local market yesterday. His net sales after all warehouse charges were deducted, netted him \$409.88 per acre. Mr. Westbrook can raise tobacco for a while longer despite the war-time price of supplies. Many other good averages were made on this sale, ranging from 65 cents down.

IN THE POLICE COURT

Margaret Partello, charged with vagrancy, was found not guilty by a jury in the Recorder's Court today. Sue Huggins and Beattie Morris, colored, charged with assaulting Pearl alleged assault being stated to have occurred at a South Kinston "function," were fined \$10 and costs each, with the privilege of going to jail for thirty days if they preferred that.

NUMBER ROUMANIAN TOWNS FALL TO THE TEUTONIC INVADERS

While Entente Powers' New Allies Capture Orsova, Gateway to Hungary

FRENCH TAKE TRENCHES

Is German Admission—Turkish Foreign Minister At Berlin—Elkus Made Fine Impression in Kaiser's Capital, Said

(By the United Press)

Sofia, Sept. 8.—The Bulgarians and Germans have occupied the Roumanian towns of Dobsis, Balchika, Cavarana and Kaliokpa, it is reported officially. It is admitted that the Roumanians have taken Orsova, the "Iron Gate" to Hungary.

Berlin, Sept. 8.—The Roumanians have driven back north of the Roumanian town of Dobric after a strong attack, it is said officially. The Germans have lost sections of trenches to the French south of the Somme and west of Bery, also northeast of Souville, on the Verdun front, it is officially admitted.

Hallil Bey, the Turkish foreign minister, has arrived in Berlin and expects to confer with Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg and Foreign Secretary Von Jagow. Conferences have been arranged with leading bankers. The object of his visit is undisclosed.

Abram I. Elkus, the new United States ambassador to Constantinople, has arrived at Vienna after a few days in Berlin, where he made a fine impression. He will reach his post Monday.

Not Much Doing in West Last Night. London, Sept. 8.—Artillerying south of Ginchy constituted the only activity in the Somme sector last night.

PROGRAM FOR ATHLETIC DAY AT KINSTON FAIR

The Kinston Fair Association announces this program for amateurs on Athletic Field Day at the coming Fair:

Running, 100, 220, 440, 880 and 1 mile events. Jumping, standing high, standing broad, running high and running broad events. Relay race, 1-mile, by fourteen teams.

These contests will be open to amateurs only. A silver cup will go to the team winning the greatest number of points in the ten events. Gold medals will be given first prize winners; ribbons to second and third prize winners. Athletic day will be Friday, October 27th. All towns and schools in the section are invited to send teams.

VALUABLE CARTLOAD OF TOBACCO SOLD HERE

A. S. Johnson, manager of Miss May Harvey's farm, sold a dump-bodied cartload of tobacco tips at the Central Warehouse Thursday for \$226.87.

AMERICAN SCROONER LOST.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Loss of the American schooner George E. Dudley off the coast of Iceland, was reported to the State Department today. The crew was saved.

SAYS PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE IS A TRUST

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 7.—A suit charging that the Pacific Coast League is a trust and that it has conspired to monopolize baseball in California to such an extent that players outside the league are unable to make a living, was filed in the U. S. District Court here today. Mrs. Esther Jacobs, the complainant, seeks to recover \$31,500, three times the amount she claims to have lost the defunct Sacramento club, whose franchise was sold to the Salt Lake City club.