

RESIGNATION OF ZAIMIS NOW OFFICIALLY ADMITTED AT ATHENS; GREECE IS STEP NEARER TO DECLARATION OF WAR TODAY

Allies in Balkans Begin Offensive on Big Scale, Defeating Both Wings of Bulgars Projecting Too Far From Center in Serbia, Reported—Towns Taken and Rapid Headway Made in March Against Important Rail Line—French, British and Serbs Co-operating—Turks to Join Germans and Bulgars in Roumanian Offensive—German Populace Becomes More Dissatisfied With the Food Situation Under Government's Plan

(By the United Press)

Athens, Sept. 12.—After a 36-hour battle to the north, the Bulgarians are retreating, pursued by the Allies. The Bulgarian losses were heavy.

Paris, Sept. 12.—The Allies have captured Bulgarian trenches north of Majadan on a two-mile front to a depth of a mile, it said officially. Southwest of Ostrova Lake, the Serbs repulsed the Bulgarians, inflicting heavy losses. Violent artillerying continues around Dorian Lake.

The French have penetrated trenches south of Berny in a resumption of the fighting south of the Somme, says an official statement. A German attack east of Bellor-en-Santerre was repulsed.

Berlin, Sept. 12.—Heavy fighting continues in Greece, along the Struma front. The Bulgarians thus far have been successful, it is officially claimed. The German-Bulgar advance in Southeastern Roumania continues.

London, Sept. 12.—Greece moved nearer to war today with the beginning of the real Allied offensive in the Balkans. Reports saying Premier Zaimis had resigned are officially confirmed at Athens.

Dispatches indicate the capture of four villages by the British and the defeat of the Bulgars on both wings caused a profound sensation. A strong force of British apparently engaged the Bulgar left wing. The Allies are now approaching the Seres-Demirhissar railroad, abandoned a few weeks ago. The Serbians, reorganized, are attacking with great vigor.

Saloniki, Sept. 12.—The French have joined the British and Serbians in the Balkan offensive, it is said officially. The French co-operated in the capture of Yenimah.

Petrograd, Sept. 12.—The Russians in the Carpathians have occupied a ridge north of Mount Kaupl, capturing 900 men and 13 officers, it is officially said.

Berlin, Sept. 12.—The Turks will join the Germans and Bulgars in the invasion of Roumania, says a Turkish official statement. The German people are more dissatisfied with the new government food department. Optimistic statements by the food dictator, Herr Von Batocki, had led to the belief that food conditions would be greatly improved by fall. Instead, food is being supplied more on the organized plan until it will soon be on an absolute ration basis.

The British capture of the village of Ginchy is officially admitted.

BLEASE & MANNING AGAIN MORE THAN A HAVING IT OUT IN HALF MILLION LBS. PALMETTO PRIMARY TOBACCO ON MARKET

(By the United Press)

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 12.—Former Governor Cole Blease, "the pardoning governor," and Governor R. I. Manning, today are again before the State's voters, as the result of the failure of either to register a majority of votes in the state-wide primaries two weeks ago. Representative Wyatt Aiken and F. H. Dominic are fighting it out for the same reason.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 11.—South Carolina Democrats will vote in a "run off" primary tomorrow to decide whether former Governor Cole L. Blease shall be recalled to the Governor's chair or Governor Richard I. Manning shall have a second term. These two polled the largest votes of the five men who sought the gubernatorial nomination in the primary on August 29. At that time Mr. Blease had a plurality of approximately 20,000 over Governor Manning.

UNIFORMED WOODMEN IN CAMP SALISBURY

Salisbury, Sept. 11.—With one hundred and ten tents and about 350 men

It is estimated that about 565,000 pounds of tobacco was sold here today. Prices remained at about Monday's excellent average. There was nothing spectacular about the day's sales. Offerings were all the way from fair to excellent. Cloudy weather may have kept the breaks from being much larger. Tobacco men today reiterated belief that more than 2,000,000 pounds will be sold during the week.

The Atlantic Hotel at Morehead City closed Monday afternoon for the season.

In camp the 12th district of the Uniform Rank of Woodmen of the World pitched its tents in Salisbury today for an encampment, covering six days. The district embraces North and South Carolina. Brigadier General E. D. Lewis, representing the general staff of the Uniform Rank, W. O. W., is the disbursing officer, who has been in charge of all arrangements in connection with the encampment. Brigadier General E. G. Sipper of Amberton, of the ninth brigade, is in command.

BIG SHOWING BEING MADE IN PROGRESS CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

More Than Seven Hundred New Societies in Dixie Last Year—A New Member Every Sixteen Minutes, Night and Day

That seven hundred new societies of Christian Endeavor had been organized in the past year in "Dixie" through the plans of the All-South Extension Committee, was the encouraging and electrifying statement of Southern States Secretary Karl Lehmann in his address at the Gordon Street Christian Church Monday night. The young people and those interested in young people's work of the various churches of Kinston. A new member has been added to Christian Endeavor rolls in the Southland every 16 minutes, night and day, during the past year, said Mr. Lehmann. This splendid increase is all the more remarkable and encouraging when it is considered that the goal for the All-South work in Chicago in July 1915 was 1,000 new societies in five years.

Secretaries Lehmann and Taylor held two meetings Monday with the local young people. In the afternoon they conducted a Junior rally and conference and at night a largely attended rally was featured by the address of Mr. Lehmann. Mr. Wyatt Taylor former president of the South Carolina Christian Endeavor Union, who has just been called to the general field work in the South, spoke briefly of the encouraging signs in the progress of the movement in the States of North and South Carolina. He brought greetings from the Endeavorers of South Carolina to those of the Old North State. Rev. W. Marshall Craig, the new pastor of the First Baptist church conducted the devotional exercises and made a most pleasing impression. Mr. Craig said that he had come to Kinston to be one of and to work with all the Christian people here for the uplift and spiritual growth of the community. Pleasing musical selections were rendered by Mrs. J. A. McDaniel, Jr., and Misses Hargett and Davis. Mr. H. Galt Braxton presided and introduced the speakers. Mr. Lehmann's address was on "The Real Christian" and he made a most inspiring and encouraging talk, urging the better support of the activities of the church.

Following the program the social committee of the Gordon Street Christian Church society entertained in the recreation rooms. Refreshments were served and a delightful half hour was spent informally in getting acquainted.

FUNERAL OF MR. S. H. ROUNTREE THIS A. M.

The funeral of Mr. S. Herbert Rountree, who died at his home on Blount street about 2 a. m. Monday, was held in Maplewood cemetery this morning at 10. Mr. B. P. Smith, pastor of Gordon Street Christian church, officiated, assisted by Rev. E. N. Harrison, pastor of Caswell Street Methodist church. There was no service at the residence. The funeral was not very largely attended, mainly due to the fact that no publicity of the death was had until this morning. Comparatively few people knew of Mr. Rountree's demise Monday. Paralysis was the cause of death.

Mr. Rountree was a native of Lenoir county, 66 years of age and prominently connected. He was a member of the Christian church and of several fraternal orders, including the Masons. He was well known in the city and elsewhere in this part of the State and was of exemplary character. He was in the insurance business. He is survived by his wife and a son, Mr. E. C. Rountree of Raleigh. Mr. Rountree had long been partially helpless, and since a stroke a few weeks ago had been a confirmed invalid.

MAINE IS BACK IN WIFE SLAYER WHITE BELIEVED SECRETED IN NORFOLK SECTION

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THE G. O. P. JUBILANT

Nothing Great to Brag About, Democrats Hold, Considering That Majority is Much Smaller Than in Former Years

(By the United Press)

Augusta, Me., Sept. 12.—Maine is back in the Republican fold today with an apparent majority of 12,000, as the result of yesterday's election. Republican contestants are indicated to have been completely victorious in the gubernatorial, senatorial and congressional contests. Whether the vote will be considered as "pointing the way" for the November election is a disputed point among politicians today. The Republican majority is not nearly what it formerly was in the days of Frye and Hale, despite the fact that the vote was the largest ever recorded in the Pine Tree State. The Republicans are jubilant because the issues were national, and because Senator Johnson, proclaimed a Wilson Democrat and supported by the entire strength of the administration, was defeated by a progressive prodigal to the G. O. P. fold, Frederick Hale, son of former Senator Eugene Hale. They find additional satisfaction in the unexpected defeat of Congressman Daniel McGillicuddy in his manufacturing district. The eight-hour legislation was possibly responsible. Democrats today pointed out that Maine was formerly Republican by 25,000 majority, and claim a victory in the reduction.

Portland, Maine, Sept. 11.—At 10:30 o'clock tonight the indications based on a tabulation of the vote from a little more than half the precincts, were that the Republicans had won the State election today by safe pluralities.

If the ratio of the Republican margin is maintained, Carl E. Milliken will be elected Governor by about 11,000 plurality. Bert M. Fernald, Republican, seems to have been elected for the short term in the United States Senate and the same ratio of gain would give him a plurality of 9,500.

United States Senator Charles F. Johnson, Democrat, apparently has been defeated by Frederick Hale, by an indicated plurality of 7,500.

The indications early tonight were the Legislature had been won by the Republicans who now control the Senate. Early figures showed a Republican gain of five seats in the Senate. The lower house is Democratic and two in the Senate.

The Republicans won all four seats in the National House of Representatives. With the vote of a half dozen small towns that could not change the result, missing, W. H. White, Jr., had a plurality over Congressman D. J. McGillicuddy, Democrat, of 473 votes.

SOUTHERN WILL TAKE DAIRY FARMERS NORTH TO SEE BIG EXHIBIT

(Special to The Free Press)

Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—Arrangements have been made by the Southern Railway to run a special train carrying dairy farmers and others interested in the building up of the dairy interests in the South to the National Dairy Show to be held October 12-21 at Springfield, Mass., at which the Southern will have an extensive exhibit giving a full presentation of the South as a dairy section at the present time and as a region for the future development of the dairy industry.

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(By the United Press)

Norfolk, Sept. 12.—Posses and bloodhounds trailing Leroy T. White, confessed slayer of his wife, reported to be headed for Norfolk, have traced him to Roanoke river, in North Carolina. White's wife was found on Thursday, her skull crushed with the butt of a revolver. A note beside the body said: "I write this with my hand resting on the head of my wife, who I have killed with my little 3-year-old baby, playing near the body."

White is said to have forced his wife to deed over to him \$25,000 worth of the property before the tragedy. He is described as "extremely nervous." He is believed to be hiding near Norfolk, awaiting a chance to enlist in the navy.

MOB AFTER COLORED WITNESS IN WHISKY CASES; LOST NERVE

Clayton Williams, colored, who was a witness in whisky cases recently, appeared at the police station Monday night asking for protection from a mob of 16 or 18 persons, most of them believed to have been white, who, Williams asserted, had threatened his life. According to the account given at the police station, the party appeared on the porch of Williams' home in South Kinston and tried to rush the door. Neighbors were aroused by the noise, and when people began to gather the men lost their nerve and left, after which Williams went for the police.

Williams is said by the police to have been a witness in cases against men held by the United States Commissioner, W. H. Sutton. Among those bound over recently were Joe Jenkins and son, white, charged with moonshining near Albrittons. It is intimated that the United States authorities will take action in the case against Williams on the ground that the mob, several of whom are said to have been identified, tried to intimidate a Federal witness.

SUNSTROKE DISEASE OR ACCIDENT? ASKED

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 12.—Whether sunstroke is a disease or an accident today is causing municipal authorities \$2,000 worth of worry. Geo. Rau, a city employe, was stricken while at work. He sued the city to compensate himself for the "accident." The city disclaims responsibility.

BOW LOW TO THE BACON HOG CAFETERIA REALITY

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 12.—Bow low to the bacon and tug your forelock to the ham and eggs hereafter. Sir Hog has risen in the world. The hog cafeteria made its appearance at the University of Minnesota today. The worker walks down the line provided, stopping just long enough at each food chute to eat what he wants of that variety. The chutes are as full as they can be crammed, 24 hours a day; and the hogs may eat at will.

HEATHEN 128 YEARS CHANGES HIS FAITH

Cass Lake, Minn., Sept. 12.—Ka-be-na-gi-wee, an Indian chief said to be 128 years old and a heathen all that century and a quarter, won't be buried in the Spirit Land of the Chippewas' Happy Hunting Ground, he declared today. He has taken the name, John Smith, and turned Christian.

ANNUAL MEETING AT THE KENNEDY HOME BEING HELD TODAY

Great Crowd Attending Exercises at Falling Creek Orphanage PROGRAM LASTS ALL DAY

Prof. A. H. White of Pollockville Makes Address; Rev. G. T. Watkins of Goldsboro Preaches Sermon—Picnic

The second annual meeting of the Kennedy Memorial home at Falling Creek is being held today, with a crowd of hundreds in attendance. It is estimated that 200 or more persons went from this city. Rev. M. L. Kesler of Thomasville Baptist orphanage, parent institution to the Kennedy home, is presiding over the exercises, which, starting at 10 a. m. will last through the greater part of the day. The following program is being carried out:

Morning session: Calling of the meeting to order by Dr. Kesler.

Song by the Thomasville orphanage choir, comprised by 10 children, brought across the State for the occasion.

Prayer by Pastor W. Marshall Craig of the Kinston First Baptist church.

Song by the choir. Words of welcome by Supt. G. L. Merrell of the home.

Song by the choir. Response to the address of welcome by Hon. M. L. Davis of Beaufort.

Exercises by the Thomasville Baptist orphanage choir, lasting an hour.

Introduction of the speaker by Mr. J. C. Whitty of New Bern.

Address by Prof. A. H. White of Pollockville.

Picnic dinner on the grounds. Afternoon session, beginning at 2.

Song, led by interdenominational choir from Kinston churches.

Prayer. Song by orphans' choir.

Program by the Kinston choir, lasting 45 minutes.

Scripture reading. Prayer.

The sermon, by Rev. G. T. Watkins, pastor of the Goldsboro First Baptist church.

Song by the Thomasville choir. Benediction.

"Kids' Carnival." Following the close of the set program a "kids' carnival" will be held.

This promises to be a spectacle well worth seeing. Youngsters, including, of course, those at the home, comprise a large part of the assemblage, and scores of these will participate in a big frolic and athletic contests under the direction of Supt. K. R. Curtis of the City Schools.

The picnic at noon was a big affair. There were few small appetites and no lack of food. Every good thing that the section produces was had in plenty, and the visitors from other parts of the State were loud in their praise of the way the local folks do such a thing up. Many of the picnickers had driven out from the city, accordingly their appetites had been whetted by the ride. The Sunday school of the First Baptist church of this city held its annual picnic in conjunction with the dinner.

All the neighboring towns contributed to the big throng of people. Some were from far West and the Piedmont section.

Model Institution. The Kennedy home is located seven and a half miles west of the city, just off the Central Highway, on "Cedar Dell" plantation, the home place of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kennedy. There are two buildings—the Biggs building, donated by Mr. Noah Biggs, the late Scotland Neck philanthropist, and the Lemoir county building, erected by funds contributed jointly by citizens of the county and the State at large. The surrounding farm, on

AMERICAN MEN AND METHODS TO BRING PEACE BELOW RIVER

Peace Conferees Discuss Proposal to Locate Farmers and Teachers From This Country in Mexico to Set Example

(By the United Press)

New London, Sept. 12.—Will American farmers till Mexican soil and American teachers teach Mexican minds? That is the plan before the peace commission today. That is intended to be a part of Mexico's regeneration. As formulated, the scheme is to have only enough Americans to set an example for the Mexicans.

Every intention is to avoid the appearance of American interference. The underlying economic problems are to be probed thoroughly before the question of withdrawal of the troops is determined definitely.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

NEW HIGH RECORD FOR STEEL TODAY.

New York, Sept. 12.—A new high record for U. S. Steel Common—105 3/8—was made today, following the result in the Maine elections.

LET CONTRACT FOR MAKING BIG FILLS

The County Commissioners Monday awarded the contract for two big "fills" in the county to M. W. Cooper & Co. of Durham. The work is at Hardy and Oak bridge. The contract price for the entire work is \$3 cents a yard. It is estimated that the total cost will be around \$18,000. The fills are intended to make the bridges passable at all times.

which much of the produce consumed by the orphanage is grown, is one of the best in this part of the State. It contains 1,200 acres and is superintended by Herman Sutton, a capable agriculturalist. During Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy's lifetime a rental is paid them annually, but at the death of both the place becomes the property in fee simple of the Thomasville orphanage. Some day, however, the Kennedy home, now enjoying home rule, so to speak, may become independent, and be an institution separate and apart from its big "father," or "mother," upstate. The local orphanage is growing in importance and is destined to become a great institution. There are now about half a hundred orphans at the home, and they are a bright-faced, well-kept, happy lot. The home is equipped with every needed convenience, namely, and for its size is something of a model.

Thomasville Orphanage, established by the North Carolina Baptists under the leadership of John H. Mills, who as a Mason was also the founder of the Oxford Orphanage, was opened in November, 1885, while the Kennedy home did not get formally under way until September 15, 1914. The Thomasville institution is the second largest Baptist orphanage in the world, and even now is running the Buckner Orphans' Home at Dallas, Texas, a close race for first place. Thomasville orphanage owns more property as it is, but the Buckner home cares for a few more children. There are nearly 500 at Thomasville. Local trustees of the Thomasville orphanage are Dr. B. W. Spilman and Mr. J. H. Canady.

The choir from the city assisting at today's exercises is adding no little to the success of the occasion. Much of the best local talent is enrolled, and long practice was had under the direction of Miss Jessie Wilson, a talented and well-known young woman. Miss Vida West is acting as pianist, and is a capable performer.