

AUSTRIA OPPOSING PROLONGATION WAR AGAINST THE SLAVS

Serious Split Between Vienna and Berlin Governments is Reported

PRESS IS ANTAGONISTIC

Papers of Dual Monarchy Hope Kaiser Will Leave Their Country Out of Plans for Activities in Eastern Theatre

(By the United Press)
London, Feb. 18.—Germany's declaration against the Bolsheviks has caused a most serious chasm between Germany and Austria-Hungary, the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph wired today.
The Austrian press is protesting against the reopening of hostilities in which Austria has no desire to participate. The newspaper Diezeitung hopes that the attempts of Czernin and Wilson to come to an understanding will continue and that Germany won't interfere with it.
"Wilson Wins."
Washington, Feb. 18.—The Russian chaos and President Wilson's daylight diplomacy have thrown the battling nations of the Central Powers and the republics of old Russia into confusion and dismay. History fails to record a parallel to the situation existing today in the old world. The sailors of the Russian Baltic fleet, the first to embrace the original Petrograd revolution and then to jump to the Bolsheviks, have broken away to complete anarchy. They are carrying fire and blood through Finland.

VOLUNTEER THREATENED TO KILL OWN OFFICERS.

Charlotte, Feb. 18.—Joseph Jacobs, an Austrian by birth, but a volunteer in the United States army, recently brought to Camp Greene from Pennsylvania, was placed in the county jail here to be interned as an enemy alien. He is charged with threatening officers in his command and having stated that he would shoot to kill his officers before he would fire at his own nationality.

SON OF FORMER SULTAN KILLED BY TURKISH BULLET.

London, Feb. 18.—According to information received in London from Palestine, a son of Murad, Sultan of Turkey for a brief reign in 1876, visited Jerusalem last July and was received with royal honors, but after going subsequently to the Beersheba front was never heard of again. According to Austrian officers, he was killed by a Turkish bullet. No official announcement has been issued concerning his death.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE OVER SHIPS.

Paris, Feb. 18.—A decree published in the Journal Officiel provides for the requisitioning of the entire merchant marine of France on March 10.
Government commissioners will confer with the ship owners as to the conditions under which the government will take over the vessels.

RICE TO BE CHEAPER.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Reduction in the price of rice is in prospect for April 1, the food administration announces. Distribution figures show that there is a surplus, after deducting the million bags purchased for export to Europe, of 150,000,000 pounds.

IMPRISONED FOR ADVISING SON TO DEFEY DRAFT.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 18.—William Gessert, of Plymouth, Wis., charged with advising his son not to report to a draft board for examination, has been sentenced to five years at Leavenworth penitentiary by Federal Judge Anderson.

SMILEAGE CAMPAIGN HERE APPEARS SURE OF BEING SUCCESS

Canvassers Meet With Great Luck on Initial Round — \$500 Will Be Raised Without Trouble, Seems Certain

The Smileage canvassers flocked out into the city Monday forenoon. At 1 o'clock Chairman E. Y. Speed declared he was delighted with the results. Some canvassers had returned for more books. Mr. Speed said the Smileage organization would drive ahead to attain the \$500 mark encouraged by the first round's apparently remarkable success. He could not estimate the total of the collections so early in the canvass, but judged from all the signs that it was heavy. Nearly all the canvassers reported for work.
To Make Sam Smile.
There are two sizes of the Smileage books, selling for \$1 and \$5. These books contain coupons which pass the soldier owner to the attractions at the Liberty theatres at the camps.
Everybody Should Buy.
Chairman Speed urges every person here with a soldier relative to purchase Smileage for the Sammy.

UNITED SOUTHERN STOCK COMPANY AT THE GRAND.

The United Southern Stock Company was to open at the Grand Theatre Monday afternoon for the week. "The Eternal Magdalene" was to be the bill at the matinee performance, and was to be repeated at night. The company comes highly recommended, with Mabel Paige and a number of other well-known stage folk among its members.

TWO MILLION A DAY SALE OF STAMPS IN U. S.

Winston-Salem, Feb. 18.—More than two million a day is the rate at which war-savings stamps are selling in the United States today, according to a telegram from the national chairman, F. A. Vanderlip, to State headquarters here. The total sale of stamps Saturday passed the \$50,000,000 mark, while the daily average sale shows a steady increase.

AUTO COLLISION.

An automobile driven by Leslie Mason tried to turn out of the way by Dr. F. A. Whitaker and standing in front of Dr. Whitaker's North Street office, Saturday night when Mason tried to turn out of the way of an approaching car. Mason said he did not see Dr. Whitaker's automobile. Both his and the physician's car were damaged.

DEATH OF BABY.

The week-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Habib Abdallah died at 11 p. m., Friday. The burial took place Saturday afternoon. The little one had not been named.

To Hold Anti-Cholera Meetings Three Points in County Next Week

The following schedule of meetings in Lenoir County has been arranged by Dr. F. D. Owen, inspector in charge, and others engaged in combating hog cholera in the county:
February 26, at Falling Creek School.
February 27, at Fairfield School.
February 28, at Glenwood School, near LaGrange.
Each of the meetings will start at 7:30 p. m.
Illustrated Lectures.
Stereopticon lectures describing the manufacture of the inoculating serum and the process of inoculation will feature all three meetings. The experts will vaccinate any hogs they may be requested to administer the serum to in the three localities. There will be no expense other than the cost of the serum.

\$25,000 Damage by Destruction School at Whitsett Sunday

(By the United Press)
Danville, Va., Feb. 18.—Whitsett Institute, a famous school near Greensboro, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday. There was no loss of life. The big library was destroyed. The damage was \$25,000. The origin is puzzling. The building was alight from end to end in a short time.

Y. M. C. A. SPENDS LARGE SUM IN ARMY CAMPS.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 18.—During the past six weeks, since January 1st, necessary new Red Triangle huts aggregating in cost over \$250,000 have been contracted for in the Southeastern Department, according to a statement issued from Atlanta headquarters of the Y. M. C. A.

PAROLE SYSTEM TO BE APPLIED CHAIN GANGS.

Raleigh, Feb. 18.—Governor Bickett has ordered the parole board system applied to chain gangs in the counties of the State. Superintendents will be instructed to recommend paroles or pardons in the cases of deserving prisoners.

PERSHING SEES MEN IN FRONT TRENCHES

(By the United Press)
With the American Armies in France, Feb. 17 (Delayed)—General Pershing visited first line trenches today as part of a general inspection of the American troops holding this sector. He found the men in excellent condition and spirits, their patrol work becoming rapidly more effective, while the men in the rear are anxious to take their turn in the trenches.

FRENCH PROMOTE HIM.

Washington, N. C., Feb. 18.—James Baughman, a very young flyer from this city in the famous Lafayette Escadrille of the French army, has been promoted to a corporality.

BURNED UNDER CAR.

Birmingham, Feb. 18.—Fay Roberts, a citizen of Russellville, Alabama, crawled under his automobile today to drain the gasoline tank. He couldn't see and struck a match. It is reported that he probably will die. The auto burned up.

CAROLINIAN WOUNDED.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 18.—An American mentioned in today's casualty list is A. C. Hirst, Parkville, N. C., wounded.

CONGRESS EXPECTS GET THROUGH WITH LOT WORK IN WEEK

Railroad Control, Finance Corporation and Daylight Saving Measures to Come Up in Next Few Days—Big Schedule

(By the United Press)
Washington, Feb. 18.—This will be a whirlwind week for Congress in the winding up of big war jobs.
The railroad control bill is expected to clear the Senate and House for action. A definite date for the Senate vote will be asked today.
Close on the heels of this measure will come McAdoo's war finance corporation bill.
House action on the daylight saving bill is expected early in this week. The Senate already has passed the bill, which would have the American people turn their watches ahead one hour this Summer.

HUN FLYERS BAG 16 IN RAID ON LONDON

(By the United Press)
London, Feb. 18.—Sixteen persons were killed and 37 wounded in Sunday night's air raid over London, Lord French announced today. Thirteen men and three women were among those killed.

PRESIDENT WILL HAVE NO DEALINGS HUTCHESON

Washington, Feb. 18.—The President has declined to confer with William L. Hutcheson, president of the striking shipyard carpenters. Hutcheson must accept the principle that at this time no body of men has the right to strike until all other means of settlement of a difficulty have been tried, the President told Hutcheson in a telegram yesterday. Unless he acts upon that principle he is giving aid to the enemy, Hutcheson was told.

EASY THING.

Claude Ballard, Thurman Cox and Joe Ballard motored to Goldsboro Sunday evening just to kill time. Hailed from a ditch on the way they investigated and found a car gone wrong. They were requested to get it out. They couldn't pull it out, they said; the shipwrecked ones would have to get horses. "Sure, —hic—sure y'kin pull her out." "S on a Ford." They did pull it out. One of the passengers of the tin bus was asleep when she struck, and failed to wake up through it all.

Bolsheviki Successes Include Retaking of Kieff; Poles Whipped

(By the United Press)
Petrograd, Feb. 18.—The Bolshevik troops on February 9 recaptured Kieff. The Ukrainian forces were routed and were in flight. The Red Guards routed Gen. Alexieff's forces at Makeyevka, Lomax and Sevierovo.
Polish legionaries have been defeated in the Kricheva district, in the province of Hohlief.
Bolshevik officials on February 7 were rushing a big army from Moscow against Gen. Alexieff, whose forces were near Voronezh. The latter was seeking to cut the Voronezh-Moscow railroad on his march toward Petrograd.

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST.

Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, for the week beginning Sunday, February 17:
For South Atlantic and East Gulf States: Fair and colder Monday, probably rain Tuesday followed by somewhat colder Wednesday; conditions latter part of week uncertain, but without decided temperature changes.

WHEATLESS WEEKS A POSSIBILITY AHEAD

(By the United Press)
Washington, Feb. 18.—Wheatless weeks instead of wheatless days are ahead of the Nation unless something is done to increase production, C. H. Hyde, Oklahoma farmer and member of the Oklahoma Defense Council, told the Senate Agricultural Committee today.

HORRIBLE THREAT.

Hastings, Neb., Feb. 18.—Refusal of a pupil to go to school here recently because the teacher had threatened to throw him in the furnace caused prompt parental investigation.
Finally the teacher remembered telling the boy that unless he worked harder she would drop him from the register.
The only register the lad knew anything about was the hot air register connected with the furnace.

COTTON

Receipts Monday were about seven bales, prices ranging all the way from 28 to 30:
New York futures quotations were:
Open. Close.
March 30.20 30.19
May 29.74 29.73
July 29.20 29.24
October 28.00 28.03
December 27.80

SPIELMAN DELIVERS LAST SERMON LOCAL COAL-SAVING SERIES

Final Union Service—Several Ministers Participate in Interesting Program at Queen Street Methodist Church

Dr. B. W. Spielman, Sunday school secretary of the Southern Baptist Church, preached the seventh and concluding sermon of the union series Sunday night. The service was held in Queen Street Methodist Church and the seating capacity of the handsome edifice was taxed to overflowing. The good spirit of fellowship, which has been so manifest in the union series devised by the pastors the first of the year primarily as a fuel conservation measure, was in evidence throughout the exercises. Musical Program.
Rev. M. H. Tuttle, pastor of the host church, presided and read the scripture lesson. Rev. G. B. Hamrahan, pastor of the Atkinson Memorial Presbyterian Church, led in the opening prayer. A very interesting musical program was rendered under the direction of the church organist, Mrs. Nan Goodson Howard, in which members of the various choirs of the city had a part. Captain Vendeville and a brother Salvation Army worker, Mr. Bouterse, sang a duet. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Kleber Denmark; Mrs. Frank Lewis, Miss Gaynelle Heath, Mrs. F. Margaret Marston. The choir, led by Mrs. Dan. Quinerly, Mrs. J. E. Hudson and Miss Herndon, sang several selections. Mrs. Howard completed the good program with several organ selections.

Dr. Spielman Optimistic.

Dr. Spielman's text was Rev. 1:19, "Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter." He delivered a most interesting discourse elucidating the vision that came to the Apostle John on the Isle of Patmos and proclaiming his unswerving faith in the ultimate supremacy of Christianity and its principles throughout the world, in spite of the terrible things that were now coming to pass. He recalled the dark days following the death of Jesus Christ, when the leading world powers avowedly determined to suppress the progress of Christianity and exterminate its teachings. Just as they failed then, he said, would the efforts of the powers that now strived to supplant it fail. God was still in His Heaven surrounded by myriads of angels who were ready to give aid and succor to the lowliest of His followers on earth, he declared.

Rouse Smileage Speaker.

Hon. N. J. Rouse was called upon preceding the sermon to make an announcement regarding the Smileage campaign which was inaugurated Monday morning. He made an impassioned appeal for the response of the people at home in every way possible that the boys, who had gone out, might know that they were supported.

Judge Calvert Opens His First Term Court in This County Monday

Superior Court for the February civil term, to last two weeks, was opened Monday morning, Judge T. H. Calvert of Wake County presiding. The calendar is not crowded, there are no very important causes listed, and the term promises to be uneventful.
It is Judge Calvert's first sitting here. The reputation accorded him by a member of the Duplin County bar here Monday was: "One of the cleverest men to deal with I ever saw."

The calendar had the following matters listed for the first day: No. 50, Mitchell vs. Express Company; 81, Isaac Jarman vs. J. D. Baker; 103, Rutledge vs. Griffin; 145, Dail vs. Blow.

ALLIES WILL BE POSITION DICTATED PEACE THIS YEAR

Up to Them to Call Hindenburg's Hand and War Will Be Good as Over

AUSTRIA CANNOT HELP

Vienna Government Too Wobbly—Germany Will Have 2,600,000 to 3,000,000 Men in Field—About 200 Divisions

(Copyrighted by the United Press)
Berne, Switzerland, Feb. 17.—(Delayed)—Hold steady on the West front and the war is won.
Therein lies the whole story of my Swiss impressions. I don't mean peace will follow within 24 hours of Von Hindenburg's fiasco, but I certainly believe an Allied peace will be possible this year.

Austria Won't Help Much.

This conclusion is not a hasty one. It has been reached by a process of tantamount mathematical computation. Hindenburg can expect little or no aid from Austria. Emperor Carl's position is too wobbly to warrant sending the Austrians, Hungarians, Czechs, etc., to their slaughter on the West front. Ludendorff has practically reorganized the German army, which probably will comprise 200 divisions (2,600,000 to 3,000,000 men) when the offensive starts—if it starts.

Uncle Samuel Wants Eighteen Billions to Wage War This Year

Washington, Feb. 18.—The greatest financial drive in this country's history is underway today to obtain over \$18,000,000,000 for Government expenses this year.
According to the estimates of the Treasury Department, the United States will spend over \$53,000,000 every day during 1918, the greatest portion to run the war.

Third Loan.

It is expected that the third Liberty Loan will net the Government far above four billion dollars.
Internal revenue returns for 1918 will show \$3,400,000,000 as compared with the \$2,929,364,000 collected during 1917, according to Treasury Department estimates.

Great Showing.

The total internal revenue returns for 1918 will equal one-third of the total revenue of the entire world two years ago.
Excess profits will bring in \$1,200,000,000. The next largest amount, \$650,000,000, will come from personal income tax. The pennies that are paid with nickels and dimes for admission to movies and from dues paid to club treasurers will net \$50,000,000. The picturesque Virgin Islands, lately acquired, will furnish their share of the revenue—\$20,000.

New Act's Results.

Out of this vast sum to be raised by internal revenue only \$750,000,000 represents the revenue of the commodities taxed under the old law. The remainder will be tangible results of the revenue act of October 3, 1917.

WISDOM IN HIS OBJECTION.

"Tanner," well-known colored character, in jail since he began to show signs of being completely unbalanced some weeks ago, objects to being sent to Goldsboro to serve on the police force. Chief Skinner is manifesting his kindness by "easing Tanner along." He can't possibly take him on here, because all the places are filled, he tells Tanner. "But I don't want to go to Goldsboro, even to be a policeman," Tanner protests. Skinner is beginning to believe Tanner isn't crazy after all.



KEEP KINSTON DOLLARS AT HOME