

American Troops Ordered Out of Germany; Transport is Ready

Harding and Hughes Confer, After Which Orders Are Despatched for Relinquishment of Coblenz Bridgehead—Veiled Protest Against Action Paris Government—Senate's Wishes Carried Out—"San Mihiel" Expected Sail From New York Few Hours to Take Forces Aboard—Colonel House Declares France Alone in Attitude She Takes Toward Conquered Country—Recall of Troops of United States Proper, Thinks

(By the United Press)

Washington, Jan. 10.—American troops were today ordered withdrawn from Germany.

Secretary of State Hughes after a lengthy conference with President Harding issued orders for prompt return to this country of the American Army of Occupation on the Rhine.

This force, which has been patrolling the Coblenz bridgehead since the armistice, now numbers about one thousand officers and men.

The action of the President and Hughes follows passage by the Senate of Senator Reed's resolution expressing the view of the upper house that the Rhine forces should be withdrawn.

The troops are under command of Maj.-Gen. Henry T. Allen.

The army transport San Mihiel, now at New York in sailing condition, probably will leave this afternoon to transport the troops back to this country, Secretary of War Weeks said as he left the White House.

Weeks said the troops would be back in this country within two or three weeks. A small force, probably of 50 officers and men, will be left at Coblenz to dispose of property which belongs to the American forces of occupation.

Community Sing at the First Baptist Church Friday Afternoon 3:30

Under the auspices of the Music Department of the Community Club, Dr. Paul Weaver of Chapel Hill, director of music at the University of North Carolina and a member of the staff of the University Music Extension Service, will conduct a community sing on Friday afternoon at 3:30 at the First Baptist Church. The bringing of Dr. Weaver here is in line with the general plan of the Community Club to create renewed interest in music in Kinston and to encourage the development of home talent. A musical treat is promised those who attend, and there will be no admission charge.

SERIES OF SUNDAY SCHOOL LECTURES DRAWS GOOD CROWDS

Dr. B. W. Spilman Addresses Large Gatherings of Workers on Lesson Methods—Third Lesson at Gordon Street Church Tonight

Dr. B. W. Spilman's lectures to Sunday school teachers and workers at the Gordon Street Christian Church, given under the auspices of the County Baraca-Philathea Union, are proving wonderfully instructive and interesting. The attendance Tuesday evening was even better than that of the preceding night. More than 95 persons from seven churches have registered for the lessons.

The lecture Tuesday evening was given with emphasis on four special phases of preparing and perfecting the Sunday school lessons. In opening, Dr. Spilman outlined the general setting of the lesson, emphasizing the keen interest and lasting results to be obtained by careful study and preparation. He then gave some strikingly important points on how to find the lesson—where to look about in the Bible for the subject. Following this Dr. Spilman touched on the importance of Biblical geography and its application to a thorough study of the lesson. In closing he graphically stressed the good results to be obtained by the teachers in properly connecting and presenting the historical settings of the Bible stories taught. The two lectures given have been splendidly successful, and those who have attended are unanimous in their praise of the possible effectiveness of the methods advocated and taught by Dr. Spilman, who is an eminent leader in the Sunday school work of the Southern Baptists.

There are five of these lectures in the series, and the next will be given Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the basement of the Christian church. Sunday school workers of all denominations are invited to attend.

FOUR MINERS KNOWN KILLED BY BLAST ALABAMA COAL PIT

White Foreman and Three Negroes Victims Explosion in Dolomite No. 1. Fifth Body May Lay in Depths of Mine, Said

(By the United Press.) Birmingham, Jan. 10.—Four miners are known to be dead and a fifth is believed to have been killed by an explosion in the Dolomite Mine No. 1 of the Woodward Coal & Iron Co., near here. The bodies of Frank Lewis, white foreman, and three negroes have been recovered. The body of a fourth negro is believed to be in the entry where the explosion occurred. The explosion is thought to have been due to accumulated gas or dust. It occurred in an entry of the mine shortly after 1 o'clock this morning while some racks were being removed. The mine is close to No. 3, in which 90 miners perished in an explosion November 22.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press.)

SCHLESINGER FOUND.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—Hugo Schlesinger, Milwaukee millionaire missing since he strode out of the LaSalle Hotel here Friday, was today found in outlying districts of the city, suffering from amnesia.

COMMITTEE EXONERATES ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Washington, Jan. 9.—The House Judiciary Committee today adopted a report exonerating Attorney-General Daugherty from the impeachment charges filed by Representative Keller of Minnesota. At the same time the committee decided to leave on the floor of the House the question of whether Keller shall be punished for his refusal to appear before the committee to give testimony.

BLACK HOOD KLAN'S OWN.

Court-house, Bastrop, La., Jan. 9.—The heavy guns of the State of Louisiana were turned today direct on the Ku Klux Klan in the open hearing on the murder of Watt Daniels and Thomas F. Richards, victims of hooded terrorists. A black mask worn by one of the hooded men who kidnapped and tortured Daniel and Richard was identified on the witness stand as a "terror mask of the Klan, worn when they went on the war path," by James I. Norworthy, former official of the Klan. Norworthy declared the black hood a part of the regalia of the Klan and that the white hood is used in meetings and ceremonies. "But when on the war path they wear the black hood." The reign of terror here has resulted from the operations of the Klan, Norworthy declared, answering questions of Attorney-General Cooch.

WALTON'S FRIENDS CELEBRATE.

Oklahoma City, Jan. 9.—The biggest barbecue of all time is on in Oklahoma City. Beds of hot coals glowed in rows of trenches throughout last night, preparing the savory meats for thousands from every section of the country here to attend the mammoth inauguration barbecue of Governor Jack Walton. Before supper hundreds were jammed into the Oklahoma City and these trekked toward the fair grounds, where the celebration was staged. The celebration got under way when an early rising cowboy with a foghorn voice broke loose with a wild hurrah for Walton and his gun barked an echo. Dressed in boots, spurs, chaps and 10-gallon hats, the "boys" poured into the streets. Bedlam prevailed. Hundreds of street lights were shot out by roisters. Impromptu processions gathered and held the streets during the day. The affair will be wound up by a mammoth square dance tonight.

MORRISON'S MESSAGE.

Raleigh, Jan. 9.—Two millions for his steamship line; \$6,700,000 for duplicating insular expenditures of two years ago; 15 millions for state highway completions; and \$500,000 for restoring and extending the fish, shellfish and other seafoods industry, made up the major portion of Governor Morrison's address to the Legislature this afternoon. His excellency championed passionately sinking funds to take care of these new indebtednesses, and he advocated a three-cent gasoline tax for the road bonds. He asked for establishment of three new departments, commerce and industry, banking, and water transportation. To last he asked to be named "to North Carolina Ship and Port Commission." The last named brought from him the most passionate appeal. He told how Virginia had come to think of North Carolina in business things as "our territory." He begged for economic freedom.

H-Y Meeting This Evening.

The Kinston H-Y Club will meet this evening at 8:30 in the Eagle Warehouse. These meetings are held weekly, when basketball and other forms of athletics are indulged in.

GIRL DEPORTED BY MASKED GANG NAMES TWO MOB'S MEMBERS

Declares She Recognized McKoin—Andrews Describes Meeting of Secret Society—Boy Witness at Bastrop Hearing

Court-house, Bastrop, La., Jan. 10.—When Miss Addie May Hamilton and Mrs. Thelma Richards failed to answer when their names were called today in the masked murder hearing, George Echols, 15, of Mer Rouge, was put on the witness stand in the open hearing into mob terrorism in Morehouse Parish.

The boy told his version of the kidnaping of Daniels and Richards, which corresponded with others. Shortly afterward Miss Hamilton appeared, took the stand and told how the Klan took her from her home here and deported her to Little Rock, because they claimed she had been declaring an immoral life. The girl declared she recognized Dr. McKoin and "Pink" Kirkpatrick as members of the Klan which called at her house and took her away. She said her mother begged them to leave her, but they threatened to tar and feather them both if she didn't leave.

Tim Murphy Goes Out to Leavenworth Begin Sentence Four Years

(By the United Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 10.—"Tim" Murphy, Chicago labor leader convicted of complicity in the \$120,000 Dearborn Street mail robbery here, is to leave for the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth today to serve a four-year term. By good conduct Murphy can be free in two and a half years. He can also enter a plea of pauperism and liquidate the \$20,000 fine hanging over his head by serving 30 days in jail.

FORTY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN COTTON MILL IMPROVEMENTS

Great Sum to Be Extended in Carolinas This Year. North State Will Have Six Million Spindles Before End 1923

Charlotte, Jan. 10.—More than \$40,000 will be invested in new textile mill construction during 1923 in North and South Carolina, according to a concise and authorized tabulation of new mill enterprises and mill additions just completed by the Southern Textile Bulletin of this city.

A total of 575,000 new spindles and approximately 12,000 new looms will be included in mills or mill additions which have been started or announced. These figures do not include, however, projects which are contemplated but have not been announced. The total of new equipment for the year will, therefore, very likely be in excess of these figures. North Carolina has today approximately 5,500,000 spindles and David Clark, editor of the Southern Textile Bulletin, believes it will pass the 6,000,000 mark during the present year.

Says Britain Will Not Meddle With Message of Peace Cargo Case Again

(Special Capital Correspondence.) Raleigh, Jan. 10.—District Attorney L. B. Tucker, who is making his first visit to Raleigh since he participated in destroying the liquor of the Message of Peace in December, said today that the British government will make no effort to collect for the cargo destroyed, the British consul at Savannah to the contrary notwithstanding.

Mr. Tucker says the captain-owner, Arthur J. Colman, isn't going to tamper with anything that has given him the trouble that the Message of Peace did. The district attorney happens to know that Mr. Colman has done some talking. But the government is ready to take up the cases again if anybody is dissatisfied. As for the haste of destruction, Mr. Tucker says the whole thing was based on the effort to get the stuff of the hands of each responsible agent.

French Start Invasion of Ruhr Valley as Day Breaks Thursday, Said

(By the United Press)

KINSTON NOT ONLY TOWN ED ENGAGE IN A SCHOOL PROGRAM

Large Sums to Be Expended in Eastern Carolina This Year—Much Work to Be Done Here Before 1923 Fall Term Opens

Passage of the \$300,000 bond issue for the school extensions at the special election here Tuesday will mean the provision of adequate facilities for Kinston's school children before next fall, authorities predicted today. The issue will provide for emergency needs of the educational system. No pretense was made that it would care for future expansion. The three schools here have been crowded several years. The single-shift was dispensed with years ago. Two classes are occupying each room daily.

The plans for enlargement of the three buildings now in use and erection of one or two new houses. Details were purposely left open by the school authorities until after the election. A part of the money will go into new heating equipment.

There will be no loss of time in floating the bonds, planning the program and awarding contracts, so that the work may be completed in time for the opening of next fall's term, it was understood today. The trustees are determined that there shall be no shoddy construction.

More than \$1,000,000 is already available or in sight for school construction in Eastern Carolina this spring, according to local reports. Kinston and Washington will each expect \$300,000. A number of small towns are preparing to expend sums ranging from \$20,000 upward. Consolidation plans in a number of localities will compel erection of new buildings for merged rural schools. Hundreds of thousands of dollars were expended on school improvements in half a dozen counties around this city last year. The "building movement" has really started, construction men believe.

STATE NEWS

Wilmington, Jan. 10.—The Coast Guard cutter Modoc, one of the largest in the service, will remain at the pier here permanently, according to officials.

Meeting Postal Employees.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 10.—The conference-convention of the postal employees in North Carolina will be held here instead of Raleigh, as originally planned. January 16 is the date. It is expected that 1,500 will attend. W. Irving Glover, third assistant postmaster-general, will be present.

Mysterious Shooting.

Hamlet, Jan. 10.—Boyd Smith, former assistant cashier of a bank, was killed and his mother, Mrs. Virginia Smith, 57, seriously wounded at Gibson yesterday. The affair is a mystery. Mrs. Smith, conscious last night, could throw no light upon it. Two bullets struck her. One passed through her son's heart. It was believed at first that Smith had shot his mother and then suicided. This belief was not so strong today.

Nine and Half Million Bales Cotton Ginned Up to First of January

Washington, Jan. 9.—Cotton ginned up to January 1 from the crop of 1922 totalled 9,588,997 bales, the Census Bureau today announced. This compares with 7,882,356 bales for the preceding year.

Governor Porto Rico Injured in Accident Will Be Out End Week

(By the United Press.) Kansas City, Jan. 9.—Mont Reilly, governor of Porto Rico, was today believed to be out of danger following serious injuries sustained in an auto crash here Saturday night. Barring complications, Reilly will be able to leave for Washington the latter part of the week, in preparation for his return to Porto Rico in February. He sustained two broken ribs and severe bruises in the accident.

Essen, Germany, Jan. 10.—Hemmed in on the west by French cavalry, infantry, tanks and airplanes, all ready to move at a command from Paris, Essen, first objective of France's punitive occupation plans, was today a city of strained nerves.

The population was tense but reserved. Uncertainty as to when the French troops will enter the city was causing much worry.

GEN. JULIAN CARR FAVORS SHIPS AND FIGHT GETS HOTTER

Dawson Slow About Naming House "Naval Affairs Committee"—State Game Commission Bill of Doubtful Merit—More Money

(Special Capital Correspondence.)

Raleigh, Jan. 9.—Against the decline of the stock in the boat line aspirations of Governor Morrison today, friends of the executive quoted General Julian S. Carr of Durham as favorable to his excellency's effort to fight unjust railroad rates, and the war is on.

Speaker Dawson named many of his important committees last night, none of which had any powers which seem to correspond with the Water Commerce Committee of the Senate, which Senator Harris of Wake heads. Mr. Dawson has not made up his mind whether he will ask the Rules Committee to create any such organization or not. The particular advantage to be gained by such action would be a favorable report taking the fight to the floor of the two houses. A committee created to pass favorably upon a proposal would hardly fail to do so.

Governor Morrison's appearance before the joint session of the houses today naturally has started speculation anew. When it became known early this morning that the message would not be personal and that it would be diplomatic toward those who have disagreed with him, the public mind was set for fair reception of the argument and the impression is universal that the advocate helped his cause. House leaders are unconvinced still, and they say party sentiment will dominate. But the governor does not look upon the message as being any sort of a subsidy and he seeks to deliver the boats from the thralldom of names.

The House received this morning a statewide game commission bill, which is designed to create a new department which is responsible for a game warden and his subordinates. How well the new Legislature is going to feel toward new office, nobody knows, but the assembly seems to be against experimentation. The legislature is willing to invest in roads and schools but it appears to be trying out many new money carrying measures. The game bill may be victimized by that spirit. But the bill was presented and its sponsors regard it a capital important measure.

Senator Harris today introduced into the Senate a bill providing that the juries in capital cases shall merely find the verdict, the judges pass sentence of death and the governor name the date, thus portioning the responsibility for capital punishment. Senator Harris would not follow the example of Gaston and Ervin in the House. They introduced last night a bill to allow juries to bring in special verdicts in the four capital felonies, whereby recommendation of mercy to the trial magistrate would reduce the penalty to lifetime service in the state's prison.

It is unanimously agreed that no bill abolishing capital punishment will stand any show at this time.

Harding Says His New Interior Secretary Will Be a Westerner

(By the United Press.) Washington, Jan. 9.—President Harding has assured leading members of Congress that the new secretary of the interior to succeed Albert B. Fall, who retires March 4, will be a man from territory west of the Missouri River. This narrows the race down to Senator Poindexter and Representative Mondell, both of whom were defeated in the last election, and Joseph Dixon, former Bull Moose leader in Montana.

Poilus are at Kettwig, a few miles from here. Troop trains are constantly arriving.

It is reported that all are white head-quarters and took its papers and files to Hamburg. It is claimed the French will have great difficulty in operating the mines without the syndicate's apparatus.

Paris, Jan. 10.—Dawn will see the French troops advance on Essen in an encircling movement from the north and south, according to plans of the French high command, it was today learned. About 35,000 troops, including infantry, cavalry, tanks, airplanes and armored cars, will take part in the peaceful "capture" of the wealthy Ruhr city.

French Communists Arrested.

Paris, Jan. 10.—Communist leaders, including Nonnotoseau, secretary of the Communist section of the general confederation of labor, were arrested today charged with plotting against the security of the state by trying to arouse trouble in the Ruhr. Police searched the offices of the Humanite, Communist daily, and homes of leaders.

Strike at Essen.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—A one-day strike has been proclaimed in Essen, according to reports, and there is possibility of a general strike throughout the Ruhr in protest against the French occupation.

Farmers Just Grinding Out Their Poor Lives at Rate on One Pct. a Month

"Ardent Arden" Taylor, sheriff of Lenoir County, has been to Raleigh lobbying for the "poor farmer." This nearly two years before the next election. Today Taylor called upon the "high sheriffs of the commonwealth" to write their legislators and urge them to repeal that "one per cent. tax business." He said that at Raleigh he "looked in on a number of the boys" who were, he declared, impressed by his proposition.

"If a farmer, or anybody else for that matter, is delinquent in the payment of his taxes, he is assessed one per cent. additional for each month of his delinquency. Dad-dim it, some of 'em can't hardly pay the taxes, much less this 'accrued interest,' and by the time the poor heggens' effects are levied on and their holdings sold there's another 20 per cent. added. If it keeps on this per cent. business will 'eat 'em up.'"

Politicians could not exactly see a political move in the sheriff's interest in the welfare of the agricultural community, though every month in any old year is an "open season" for him in a political way. Taxes during his tenure of office, some nine or ten years, have caused the Lenoir sheriff more gray hairs than any other one thing. "He just hates to tack on the extras." He stated that several of the legislators had hailed him as a 20th century Solomon and that they probably had his suggestion under consideration at the very moment. He said he earnestly solicited the cooperation of the other 99 sheriffs in the State.

"I'm chicken-hearted and I can't help it." That, the sheriff of Lenoir said, explained his interest. Because of that failing, or virtue, of his, convicts have been known to enter the penitentiary at Raleigh with all their pockets full of tobacco and their "inards" filled with "the last chicken the boys would taste for some time" and soda water.

France Stands Alone, Declares House.

Galveston, Jan. 10.—French occupation of the Ruhr Valley will further complicate the problems of Central Europe, Col. E. M. House, former President Wilson's confidential adviser, today declared. "France afraid of Germany, has been for years," House explained. "The German invasion in 1914 has made her doubly cautious. Now that she has the upper hand she is reluctant to relinquish her advantage. "France does not want Germany to become powerful again, but when she assumes that attitude she stands alone." House declared for removal of the American troops from the Rhine.