

# IMPORTANT NEWS THE WORLD OVER

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THIS  
AND OTHER NATIONS FOR  
SEVEN DAYS GIVEN

## THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH

What Is Taking Place In The South  
Land Will Be Found In  
Brief Paragraphs

### Washington

Three major generals of the regular army, Leonard Wood, Hugh L. Scott (retired), former chiefs of the general staff, and each of whom trained and commanded divisions during the war, and John J. Chamberlain, inspector general opposed before the American Bar association committee inquiring into the subject of military justice, any plan of taking from the president and the commanding general the control they now exercise over engineers.

During March \$12,846,000 was loaned by farmers to the federal land banks on long time first mortgages, according to the monthly statement of the farm loan board. The federal bank of Omaha leads in amount of loans closed—\$4,363,000.

Acting Secretary of State, Field, authorized the statement that no serious questions were pending between the United States and Japan, and that the indications were that minor issues arising from the situation in Siberia and the recent treaty at Tientsin, as well as peace conference problems, would soon be amicably settled without in any way straining the relations between the two countries.

Rear Admiral Knapp has reported to the navy department from London that two enlisted men had been killed by a boiler explosion on the U. S. S. Benkendorff.

President Wilson has directed the industrial board of the department of commerce and the railroad administration to reopen discussions of price stabilization and endeavor to find a common ground on which they can agree. Chairman Peck announces that the board will take up the question with the railroad administration immediately.

American troops to the number of 275,000 are returning to the United States from Europe during the present month. Secretary of War Baker told the newspaper men in Paris, he having arrived there from Brazil.

In May the number of men returning from Europe will go to 250,000, because of lack of transports, but in June the number will rise to 300,000.

Brig. Gen. W. P. Richardson, new commander of the American forces in north Russia, reports the military situation satisfactory in his first official dispatch since landing at Murmansk.

Now that the Germans have been called to Versailles on April 26 the indications are that the proceedings may move with such despatch that President Wilson can remain for the signing of the treaty, and thus be able to take back the completed document.

### European

Airplanes were used in coping with the disorders that have broken out in the Punjab. A mob attacked a passenger train in this district and wrecked the railway station at Gurdaspur. Airplanes were sent from Lahore and the mob was bombed and subjected to machine gun fire from the air. Considerable unrest still exists in Delhi and Lahore.

It is learned in London that the situation in Turkey is causing grave anxiety. Internal disorder is rife, according to reports from Rear Admiral Welch, R. N., at Constantinople. It is feared there will shortly be outbreaks and massacres of the Armenian population on a large scale.

The situation at Smyrna, where the Turks and Greeks are ready to spring at each other's throats, is typical of the situation throughout Turkey. Bands of brigands are dominating the country, even within a few miles of Constantinople, and committing atrocious murders.

The committee of union and progress, the young Turk organization, which was driven from power in Constantinople as a result of the allied victory, is reported to be secretly conducting an energetic reorganization movement.

Further disorders are feared in Egypt. A division of British troops is on the way from the Dardanelles to reinforce the troops of Major General Allenby, the special high commissioner to Egypt, and to relieve a large number of Australian and New Zealand and soldiers who will return home.

President indications are that the peace treaty will be signed before the president's departure from Asia for home.

Brig. Gen. Wilds P. Richardson, U. S. A., having arrived at Archangel, Russia, with his staff on board the first big ice breaker which has made its way into the regular Archangel docks since the beginning of winter, one of his first acts was to make public to the American troops a telegram from General Pershing calling upon them to maintain their morale.

It is stated in well informed quarters that the situation of the peace negotiations was such that President Wilson would probably be able to sail homeward May 20, and possibly a little earlier—by May 15.

Information reaching the peace delegates at Paris tends to show that the Germans are not planning to take up time and delay the signing of the treaty, as they desire a settlement of the peace terms at the earliest possible moment.

The Polish-German boundary question has been finally disposed of by the council of four at Paris, but no announcement has been made of the decisions taken. It is understood that Danzig will be internationalized, and the Poles will have a corridor running from that city to their frontier to give them access to the sea.

There will be another world war beginning in June, 1928, according to a writer in the British Journal of Astrology. This prophet signs himself as "Sepharan," and asks for a serious hearing, inasmuch as he claims to have published a year in advance in each case the exact date of the war of 1914, and of the cessation of hostilities.

The decision of the United States government to appoint Hugh S. Gibson, secretary of the American embassy in Paris, as the first minister to Poland, was announced by Premier Paderewski of Poland.

An agreement was reached by the associated powers to send food to Russia under neutral control, but the French representatives made several reservations which will be considered soon.

The American embassy in Paris daily reports that important military concessions in Russia have been obtained by Americans.

Fourteen American and six French soldiers were killed when an express train carrying American troops crashed into a stationary train with French soldiers on board near Le Mans. Twenty-five Americans and twenty Frenchmen were injured. Le Mans is in the department of the Sarthe, west of Paris.

The plan of the council of four to have Belgian police seize the former German empire on the shores of responsibility for the war is meeting with objections, which are again bringing up the whole subject for discussion.

Those who have the matter in hand divide the question of war responsibility into two distinct classes. The first includes military and naval offenses and those myriad of various excesses against the usual rules of warfare. The second class includes former Emperor William, ex-chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and others whose offense is chiefly of a political nature.

A petition asking for the punishment of the Germans responsible for the deportation of women from Lille, Roubaix and Tourcoing in the spring of 1918, will soon be handed to the peace conference. It is signed by 32,000 thousand women.

From a parage of the Foreign Correspondents more than four hundred delegations from the nations and from the United States, Secretary of War Baker, announces that the board will take up the question with the railroad administration immediately.

Copies of the State Highway Law were mailed to each of the boards of county commissioners in the state. The pamphlet contains three acts on regarding the creation of the highway commission, one on maintenance by counties, and the third on the subject of State aid in road building.

The maintenance law is especially important from the highway standpoint of view, because it makes it mandatory that the counties issue bonds for themselves for the upkeep of roads at least. The county commissioners are warned not to fail to put this tax in their budgets for the coming year.

**Gov. Beckett Chairman.**

Gen. Clinton S. Jones, member of the Salvation Army, home service committee in the Bahia zone announced that Governor Beckett has accepted the chairmanship of the Raleigh district composed of Wake and surrounding counties.

The amount to be raised in the Raleigh zone is \$2,000. The campaign opens May 15 and lasts a week. The counties comprising the zone are Wake, Franklin, Edgecombe, Halifax, Northampton, Wilson, Johnston, Harnett, Wayne, Cumberland, Lee, Caswell and Warren.

**Rebels' Foreign Legion.**

W. G. Glenn, temporary State commissary, has appointed Maj. Chas. N. Hulsey, military instructor at the State College of Agriculture and Engineering, temporary State secretary of the Foreign Legion. The call for the St. Louis convention to be held May 1 has been issued. Any soldiers or sailors interested in the American Legion may secure full information from Major George W. Doherty of Arkansas.

Immediately federal and state legislation centering chiefly in public ownership of the nation's timber lands was advocated by speakers at the annual session of the American Lumber Congress in Chicago, as the most efficient means of stabilizing the lumber industry and preventing a shortage in natural lumber resources which was characterized as "rapidly becoming international in its seriousness."

Removal of government restrictions on the marketing of the cotton crop and reduction in acreage planted to cotton were urged at the meeting of the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union of America in convention in Denver. Speakers pointed out that a more diversified farming plan would aid in the development of the South, which had been handicapped by confining farming operations to cotton.

The convention at St. Louis is for the purpose of organizing an association of the war veterans composed of all soldiers and sailors of the late war into a non-partisan, non-political association.

The basis of representation is the congressional system and the number of delegates is limited to twice the number of representatives in the U. S. Congress.

**Blockade Liquor Seized.**

Seven gallons of blockade whiskey were found by revenue officers in a tobacco barn near the home of Walter Nowell in Mark's Creek township. Three fermenters were seized at Nowell's house. The officers searched for a still but found only marks where one had been set up. Miley Pepper plowing in the field near the barn left horse and plow for other parts when he saw the officers. Deputy Collectors E. G. Richardson, H. G. Galley, N. E. Raines, Joe Hutchins and Deputy Marshal J. P. Still made the raid.

**Gas Falls to Burn.**

The fact that the government shipment of special gas for the flying machines used in the "circus in the air" failed to arrive and that the local gas could not be used satisfactorily necessitated cutting short the Victory bond demonstration here. Eight planes with interesting manipulations for an hour but there was no attempt at sharp battle in the air schedule and the German plane that came out and did some extra fast flying, went bad in that the engine missed alarmingly.

**Time for Returns Extended.**

The collector of internal revenue has received instructions from the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington, D. C., granting to all corporations which filed tentative returns on Form 1031 an extension of time in which to file their final returns until June 15th. However, interest must be paid at the rate of 1% per cent per month on deferred payments and an amount equal to one-half of the total tax must be paid by June 15th. No extension of time is granted to individuals.

# HERALD'S REVIEW of NORTH CAROLINA

A Record Of Important Events At The Capitol And Throughout The State, Reported For Herald Readers

## INTERESTING TO GOOD ROADS MEN

SAVINGS OF \$200 PER MILE TO  
THE STATE AND COUNTIES  
THROUGH LOWER RATES.

## REDUCTION 10 CENTS A TON

COPY OF STATE HIGHWAY ACT IS MAILED  
TO BOARDS OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
EVERY COUNTY IN STATE.

SAVING OF ABOUT \$200 A MILE ON FED-  
ERAL AND STATE ROADS WILL BE MADE  
THROUGH LOWER RATES.

Tobacco Sales for March.

Leaf tobacco sales for last month  
is reported to Major W. A. Gehring,  
commissioner of agriculture, total 2,

184,412 pounds, against 126,246, for

March, 1918, an increase of 2,218,781

pounds.

Fine leaf sales total 2,863,488

pounds, dollars, 28,441; round, 322,

416. The reports by towns, showing

total sales, follow:

Burlington, 28,291; Durham, 150,250;

Greensboro, 8,250; Greenville, 50,288;

Henderson, 1,200; Lincolnton, 3,390;

Leeds, 2,252; Lumberton, 7,777;

McAfee, 112,989; Melrose, 45,800; On-

ion, 161,350; Piedmont, 24,058; Ro-

berton, 15,212; Rocky Mount, 8,424;

Statesville, 15,212; Washington, 21,992;

Wendell, 2,050; Wilkes, 22,572; Winston-Salem, 128,122; Youngsville, 29,

000.

North Carolina Counties.

Commissioner Jones, North Carolina state treasurer recently reported by the way department, are as follows:

Days of supply: Private, 10; A

Peak, Winston-Salem, 11; C. H. Husman,

Kinston.

Days of disease: Private, David

William Bolvin; P. S. Wilson, Ma-

con, H. L. Martin, Harris, G. W.

Brown, Morehead.

Flightless: Winston, Sept. 1, M. Pick,

Minneapolis; Private E. R. Gath-

er, Lincoln; Victor L. Vail, High Point;

John L. Merkin, Somers, N. Y.; Thomp-

son, Jackson; Springer, J. S. R. C. C.

Empire, Seneca, Jas. E. Graham, Chi-

co, Grove.

Total casualties, 273,162.

Ask President to Resign.

Petitioning for his resignation, five hundred students of State College last night signed a round robin addressed to President W. C. Riddick, and if the head of the institution declines the request of the students, they have indicated that the matter will be taken to the board of trustees.

The request of the student body for

the removal of President Riddick fol-

lows: We, the students of State Col-

lege, do hereby demand that

President Riddick be removed from

the office of president of State Col-

lege, effective immediately.

Socialist May Be Mayor.

Asheville.—The temporary home of more than 3,000 soldiers who are here to recover from the effects of the deadly gasses of modern warfare, the residence of the first North Carolinian to fall fighting against Germany, holder of a creditable record for over

subscribing all important war drives.

Asville faces the probability of be-

ing governed during the next four

years by a socialist. Henry J. Oliver

candidate for mayor, whose charac-

ter just now seem excellent, is no novice

socialist and his favorable candi-

cy is the result of a unique situation in

municipal politics. He is a suc-

cessful merchant and investor with a

strong personal following and a can-

pable management which seems just

now to have the call on the other two

candidates.

Labor Unions Interested.

Wilmington.—Acting on a tip re-

ceived by phone from Rocky Point, a

station of the A. C. L. north of Wil-

mington, the police met a big Hudson

car at the city gates and arrested a

white man and two negroes, sold 24

quarts of whiskey and confiscated the

automobile which belongs to one of

the negroes, and which will be sold at

public auction. The white man was