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## HEAVY FIGHTING ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT

Most Active Engagements Now Reported From the Riga Where Germans Took Offensive.

### NETTED GERMANS SOME STRONG RUSSIAN POSITION

Greece Formally Apologizes to the Entente in Compliance With a Demand.

(By Associated Press) The heaviest fighting now in progress in any of the war theatres is on the Russian front in the Riga sector where the Germans recently took the offensive and drove the Russians back a half a mile in the region of the great Pirul marsh.

Berlin announces today that the attacks netted the Germans strong Russian positions on a front of six miles, with more than 1,700 prisoners and 13 machine guns. The Russian reserves were unable to check the advancing teutons.

Attempting again to advance over the frozen ground which made effort in this swampy region possible the teutonic army received reverses, according to Petrograd today. Northwest of the marshes they opened heavy artillery fire and then attacked but failed to make headway. Similar results met attacks between the marsh and river Aa and here in a counter attack the Russians dislodged the Germans and drove them back. The fighting extended to the southeast of the river Aa near Kalnizm which lies 20 miles southwest of Riga. Here the Russians after taking the offensive were caught in a counter offensive of the Germans and compelled to retire northward a third of mile.

Elsewhere there has been little but artillery patrol and air fighting. Entire quiet apparently prevails all along the Rumanian front where the services of winter affect all operations except intermittent bombardment and skirmishes.

Greece has formally apologized to the entente in compliance with demand for the events of last December when Greece fired on entente forces in Athens.

"The political, economic and moral future of our land is dependent upon the proper solution of the liquor problem."—Prof. J. V. Collins.

### OLD SUBSCRIBERS RENEW NOW.

Thirty days opportunity for all present subscribers to the Yadkin Valley Herald to renew at \$1.00 a year.

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Every one of our subscribers may renew for \$1 if they do so between now and March 1st. The most of our subscribers dates of expiration are grouped around January 1st and a good many have not renewed though they have had the opportunity to renew at the old rate of \$1. Now we are going to fix the time limit for such renewal at March 1st.

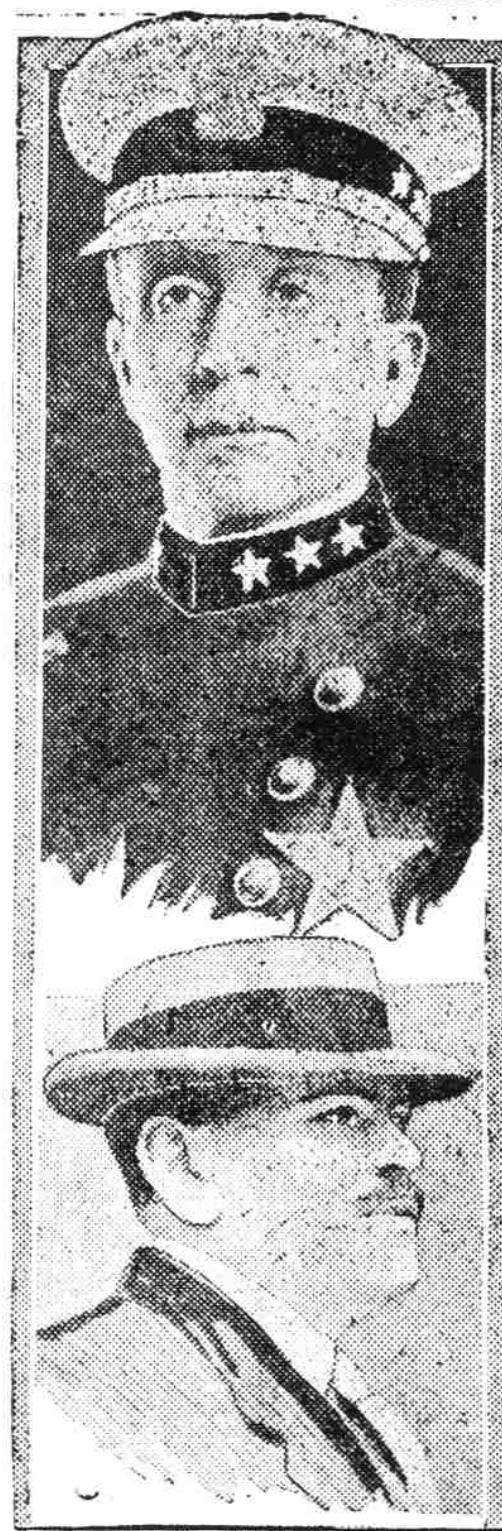
We are prepared to get the Progressive Farmer and the Kansas City Star for our subscribers at a reduced rate. Look at this:

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Farmer.....	1.00
Star.....	.50
Total.....	\$2.50
All for.....	\$1.75
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Herald.....	\$1.50
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## CHICAGO'S ACCUSED CHIEF OF POLICE AND OTHERS HELD ON CHARGES OF GRAFT



CHARLES C. HEALEY, "MIKE DE PIKE" HEITLER



LIEUT. MARTIN WHITE BILLY SKIDMORE

Charles C. Healey, former chief of police of Chicago, has been charged with taking graft from disorderly and gambling houses. Lieutenant Martin White, commander at the Lake Street Station, was also arrested on the same charge. Billy Skidmore, a saloon keeper and leader on the West Side, "Mike de Pike" Heitler, a saloon keeper, were also arrested in the same connection.

## "LEAK" INQUIRY TO BE RESUMED N. Y. TUESDAY

Stock Brokers are Promptly Responding to the Request of the Committee—Attorney Whipple Believes New York End of Hearing Will Consume a Week.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 25.—Stock brokers who have been requested by the House Rules Committee to produce records of the transaction with their customers are promptly responding, it was announced today by Sherman Whipple, counsel for the committee.

Mr. Whipple and Chairman Henp were busy today with the committee's expert accountants in preparation for the resumption of the inquiry here Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Whipple said he expected that it would now be possible to complete the inquiry in New York next week.

## WEST VIRGINIA IS AFTER CIGARETTES

Bill in the Legislature Would Prohibit the Having Selling of Cigarettes and the Paper to Make Them.

(By Associated Press.) Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 25.—Cigarette smoking in West Virginia would be a criminal offense and possession of cigarettes a misdemeanor or both violations punished by a fine of \$5 if a bill in the House of Representatives becomes a law.

The bill prohibits any person or firm either to sell or give away cigarettes or tobacco used in making them. The bill also prohibits any one having them in his possession.

## FEDERAL ROAD MONEY.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The apportionment of the ten million dollars of money for aid in the building of roads in the states, the 2nd annual distribution according to the Federal law, was announced by Secretary Houston, of the department of agriculture today. This is for the fiscal year ending on June 30th, 1917. The fund announced for states is as follows: North Carolina—\$228,763. South Carolina—\$143,615.

## THE GERMAN RAIDER WAS THE CAPORTEGAL

Leaving Hamburg the Ship Captured Two British Steamers and Armings Them Sent Them to Raid in South Atlantic Waters—Was Hamburg Ship.

(By Associated Press) Montevideo, Uruguay, Jan. 25.—It is reported here that the German raider that had been operating off the Brazilian coast is neither the Albatross or the Vineta, but that it is the Cap Ortegal, a Hamburg liner that evaded the British blockade after leaving Hamburg.

According to the story the Cape Ortegal captured two British steamers today that sailed from the river Platte and took them to the west coast of Africa where they were armed and manned and sent to raid the South Atlantic coast.

The Cape Ortegal is a vessel of 7189 tons, was built in Hamburg in 1904 and prior to the war plied between Hamburg and South American ports.

## STROKE OF GENIUS IS VIEW OF OLNEY.

Great Glory of America That Wilson Has Shown the Only Desirable Peace.

Boston, Jan. 25.—Answering your telegraphic request for a brief word respecting President Wilson's recent address to the Senate. The fundamental idea is nothing less than a stroke of genius.

If any statesman of any other country has conceived of it, he has lacked the courage to proclaim it— if any statesman of any other country has been endowed with the necessary courage he has lacked the wisdom to realize that only through "peace without victory" is any peace possible.

The victory the President has in mind is not merely a defeat from which an organized people may recover and renew the strife, with unimpaired vigor; it is a victory which, judged by purposes expressly avowed, is to utterly crush the beaten combatant and in effect eliminate it from the list of self-governing peoples.

Such a result would not merely be worth the cost to the victor but would be a crime against all mankind.

It is to the great glory of America not only that its President has kept us out of the present almost world-wide war but has also had the presence and sagacity to recognize and point out the only road through which a desirable peace can be secured.

## RICHARD OLNEY. Dr. Elliot Finds in the Peace Plan a Bold Adventure.

Dr. Charles W. Elliot, President emeritus of Harvard, was asked yesterday his opinion of President Wilson's peace plan.

"It is a bold adventure," he said.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Wheat advanced shortly today influenced by the fact that the British Chancellor's speech at Bristol was construed by traders as a denial of President Wilson's plea for peace. The opening prices ranged from 1.8 to 2 cents higher with May at 1.85 to 1.86 1-2 and July at 1.54 to 1.54 1-4 were followed by a slight reaction and then by a material fresh upturn.

## EARTHQUAKE KILLS 50 ON ISLAND OF BAILI

Earth Disturbance On One of the Malay Archipelago. Does Great Damage in Addition to Killing and Wounding Several Hundred.

(By Associated Press) London, Jan. 25.—Fifty natives were killed and 200 others injured in an earthquake on the island of Baili in the Malay archipelago, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam to the Central News. More than 10,000 houses and factories and native temples were destroyed. The Governor's palace was also seriously damaged.

## SALARY INCREASE IS CONSTITUTIONAL

Attorney General J. S. Manning Hands Down His First Decision Since Assuming Office.

### GOVERNOR BICKETT WILL BENEFIT BY THE ACT

Had Been Held That Present Governor Was Not Eligible to Draw the \$6,500 a Year.

(By Associated Press) Raleigh, Jan. 25.—The recent action of the legislature in increasing the salary of the Governor of North Carolina from \$5,000 to \$6,500 a year was declared constitutional today by Attorney General Manning in first opinion rendered since assuming office.

It had been contended that since the present Governor was elected for a term beginning January 1st and the law prohibiting an increase in the chief executive's salary during his term of office, the Governor should not benefit through the legislation. The law held otherwise.

## PREVENT BLOCKING OF LEGISLATURE

President Wilson Holds a Conference With Leaders in Senate and Goes Over Situation.

### GUMMINS DID NOT PRESS 'SPEAKING' RESOLUTION

Mr. Wilson Told That It Will Be Impossible to Get Proposed Legislation Through.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 25.—Senator Cummins did not press his resolution today to set aside a time in the Senate for special discussion of President Wilson's peace address and the Senate got to work early on appropriation legislation.

President Wilson was in conference with Senator Stone and other Democratic Senators at the White House last night discussing his address in a general way. There was discussion also of plans to prevent any concerted effort to sidetrack important legislation with long debate, but the main purpose of the conference is said to be clear the way for harmonious action between now and March 4th.

The improbability of getting thru the railway labor program as originally proposed was pointed out to the President as well as poor prospects of agreement on water power legislation.

Tonight the Democratic Senators will consider all of these subjects in caucus.

### MCCOY AGREES TO MAKE BAIL AT ASHEVILLE.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 24.—Extradition proceedings to remove Thomas McCoy to Fort Smith, Ark., where he is charged with conspiracy to defraud the government out of revenue taxes on liquors, were dropped today when the defendant volunteered to make bond as soon as he returns to Asheville, N. C., his home. He will appear for trial before the Federal Court at Fort Smith on charges similar to those which recently resulted in his conviction here, and sentenced to two years in the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta.

Chief of Police Cauble is suffering with an injured eye today. While splitting kindling a piece glanced and hit him in the left eye inflicting painful injury, though not serious.

Only one more week in which to shoot quail in Rowan, as the open season expires February 1st.

## BATTLESHIP MISSISSIPPI IS LAUNCHED TODAY

Secretary Daniels Present and Fifteen Thousand Spectators See the Christening by Miss Camille McBeath.

(By Associated Press.) Newport News, Va., Jan. 25.—The battleship Mississippi, building here for the United States government was successfully launched at 11:27 this morning in the presence of Secretary of the Navy Joseph Daniels and other distinguished visitors and a crowd of more than 15,000 spectators. Miss Camille McBeath, of Meridian, Mississippi, christened the new vessel.

## BROTHERHOODS COMPROMISE

Is Laid Before President Wilson in Writing by the Railway Brotherhood Leaders.

### WOULD HAVE MIXED BOARD EMPLOYES AND EMPLOYERS

Senate Has Twice Voted Down the President's Plan and a Compromise is Near.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 25.—The railway brotherhood leaders today laid before President Wilson in writing their proposal for a compromise on his railway legislation program and he began considering it.

The labor leaders propose instead of a law to prevent strikes or lock-outs pending an investigation that provision be made for an investigation by a mixed board of employees and employers. This, they said, would settle every dispute.

The action of the Senate inter-Commerce committee yesterday in voting down President Wilson's plan a second time was taken by some officials as a forerunner of some sort of a compromise.

### FLAG'S DEFENDER PRAISED

Gets Formal Commendation From Treasury Department.

New York, Jan. 24.—L. H. Luksich, a signal quartermaster attached to recruiting office of the United States Coast Guard, who, while on duty at Battery January 3, knocked a man down for wiping his muddy hands on an American flag, has received formal commendation from the Treasury Department. The official letter says:

"The Department desires to commend the spirit of loyalty and patriotism which impelled your ready defense of the national colors, and in voicing this commendation I am not unmindful that you are a naturalized American citizen, for the reason that the incident is rendered more conspicuous by this fact, and affords gratifying evidence of your assimilation of the spirit and best traditions of the country of your adoption.

The letter was signed by A. J. Peters, assistant secretary. Letters of approval from all over the country have come to the department and to Luksich and several national patriotic societies have taken note of the incident.

## JAPANESE IS ASSAULTED OPENLY

Former Minister of Justice is Assaulted by Two Men While He Was Delivering a Public Address—Men Arrested and Held.

(By Associated Press.) Tokio, Japan, Jan. 25.—The Emperor has dissolved the House of Representatives.

### TRIED TO KILL MINISTER.

Tokio, Jan. 25.—An attempt was made to assassinate Yukio Ozaki, former minister of justice and leader of the Constitutional party while he was addressing a mass meeting in which he called on the members of the present cabinet to resign.

While Ozaki was speaking two men climbed on to the platform armed with short swords and sought to stab him to death. They were overcome and arrested. Two other men tried to assault the former minister but they were badly beaten by the audience. Ozaki demanded that premier Teruchi resign on the grounds that his administration is unconstitutional.

Yukio Ozaki was former former mayor of Tokio. He visited the United States in 1910 and was given a dinner at Washington by President Taft. He became minister of justice in the Okuma cabinet in 1914.

## FIGHT OVER PROMOTION OF DOCTOR IN THE NAVY.



The nomination of Dr. Gary T. Grayson, the President's personal physician, to be medical director and rear admiral over the heads of 114 physicians and surgeons in the navy has aroused opposition in the Senate. There is promise of a fight by the Republican members, at least. Dr. Grayson married Miss Gordon, the intimate friend of Mrs. Wilson.

## DR. GREENE WAS HERO OF THE HARFORD, PA., FIRE

Took Command of the Rescue Squad and Enforced the Saga of the Seas, "Women and Children First"—Last to Jump From Burning Building and Sustained Both Legs Broken.

A copy of the Scranton Republican giving a full account of the recent fire at Harford, Pa., in which Dr. H. A. Greene, formerly of Salisbury, and his daughters, Miss Thelma, were seriously injured has been received here. The building burned was the old Odd Fellows hall and on the night of the fire a big reception was being given by the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs in honor of a bride and groom, members of the orders, when a lamp in the kitchen where the supper was being prepared exploded. The paper reports Dr. Green, who is pastor of the Methodist church at Harford, as being the hero of the hour.

The paper says: "Rev. Mr. Greene, the Methodist pastor, was one of the few wedding guests who kept cool. When the flames from the blazing stairs ate their way into the reception hall he exhorted the guests to keep their presence of mind and shouted the saga of the seas, 'Women and Children First.' He rallied a few of the men to his side and marshalled the women and children to the windows where they could breathe while steps were taken for their rescue.

"Rev. Mr. Green saw to it that the bride was the first to be lowered to the ground on a rope improvised out of draperies.

"Rev. Mr. Green was the last to leave the hall, and the ladders having been brushed aside he jumped, breaking both legs," this being above the ankles.

"Miss Thelma Greene suffered her right arm broken and body badly bruised. Miss Martha Green escaped uninjured. Two people died from their injuries and a number of others were seriously injured while many suffered minor hurts.

## LOST: PRESIDENTIAL VOTE COUNT OF UTAH.

Messenger Bearing States' Record Has Failed to Reach Capital. (Washington Times.)

Lost—A messenger bearing Utah's official count of her vote for President.

Will the finder please notify Congress? The final chapter of the last election is being held up pending the arrival of the man from Utah.

In the meantime the secretary of state of Utah has been notified that the messenger is lost, has strayed or is stolen, and has been instructed to get from the United States district judge there the one remaining copy of Utah's official count and rush another messenger to Washington with it.

All official counts were to have been in last Monday. Utah was the only State missing.

The destruction of drunkard-making will never be accomplished as a side issue.

### BAR ASSO. MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Rowan Bar Association at the court house Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to arrange the calendar for the February term of Rowan Superior court.

## TO RAISE AGE OF CONSENT 16 YEARS

Senate Passed Such a Measure at a Long Session Held This Morning—Was 14 Years.

### PROPRIETARY MEDICINE ACTS SEEM DOOMED

Election of County School Boards by the People Again Receives Attention of Members.

(Special to the Post.) Raleigh, Jan. 25.—In a long session today the Senate passed the bill raising the age of consent from 14 to 16 years and the House killed the first of the recommendation offered by the committee on judicial reform providing for amendment appeals from magistrates courts.

Both houses received a continued bill providing for the election of county school boards in some counties and in some for county superintendent. Burke county sent down a big memorandum demanding that the system be changed in that county.

It was announced in the House today that although the House committee has voted 7 to 5 against a favorable report of the bills to regulate the sale and advertising of proprietary and patent medicines out of consideration to the Senate committee, which has not voted, and the hearing of further argument the House has decided to report the measure without prejudice. The prophecy is freely made that the acts will be defeated.

The House spent half of the session today debating the recommendations of the judicial committee providing that in appeals from magistrates who have no jurisdiction in certain cases clerks of Superior courts may correct the judgment to conform to the constitutional requirement. The House voted down the measure. Bills Affecting the Roads of the State.

Raleigh, Jan. 24.—There were most important bills affecting road building in the State today in both houses of the Legislature. Senator Cameron who is a member of the State Highway Commission, introduced a bill to provide that the State Highway Commission handle the automobile license tax fund so that the commission shall expend 70 per cent of the fund in the counties in which the licenses are taken out for road maintenance and that the remaining 30 per cent be used in the expense of collection with the residue, which will be considerable, to be expended in the weaker counties. The special purposes of the bill is to enable the State to get the Federal fund for road building which in process of multiplication will in a few years grow to as much as \$2,000,000.

In the House Representative Doughton introduced a bill to make the appropriation for the work of the Highway Commission \$75,000.

The Senate had its first show down as to the status of the fight over election or appointment of the county school boards and voted 23 to 22 to defer consideration of any of these bills until next Wednesday, awaiting action by the joint committee of education. Advocates of county election were trying to force immediate action on bills to give additional counties the right to elect and Senator Turner had just introduced what may be termed the administration bill to have the Legislature elect a central State commission to elect the county boards which would in turn select the county superintendents. He and other advocates of appointment of county boards, wanted all action deferred until the joint committee acts and they carried their point.

## HEAVILY LADEN SUBMARINE AT NEWPORT

Newport, R. I., Jan. 25.—Unidentified submarine, heavily laden, is lying off shore between Point Judith and Beaver Tail where she arrived this afternoon.

Harry K. Improving. Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 25.—Harry K. Thaw is making progress toward recovery, but it will be two weeks before he can leave the hospital.

The man who prates most of honest toil spends all his life trying to pay the interest on the mortgage

No man should go into the business of dealing in magicians' outfits unless he knows the tricks of the trade.

A commonwealth ought to be immortal and forever renew its youth. Cicero.