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RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3, 1918.
W. C. Jackson,
State Director, Christmas Roll Call,
Greensboro, N. C.

I cannot too strongly urge upon you the importance of the forthcoming Christmas Roll Call. Conferences with our commissions in Europe, together with conferences I have held here the last two days with the President, with our division managers, and our heads of departments, have shown clearly the field for Red Cross effort is going to be upon a tremendous scale and of a beautiful and inspiring character. As we shall conduct no further campaign for War Funds, the Roll Call will constitute the very foundation of Red Cross effort in the future. And I firmly believe that the future of the Red Cross will be devoted to services which cannot receive less than the whole hearted and active support of the whole American people; and its ability to realize that future will be dependent upon that support alone. I urge you and your assistants to exert redoubled effort to make this Roll Call in the period of transition from war to peace such a tremendous success that our Red Cross Organization which has been built to such huge proportions out of love, sympathy, and effort during the war may continue to be an agency of humane service worthy of the whole American nation.

H. P. DAVISON,
Chairman Red Cross War Council.

To North Carolina Roll Call Chairmen: We are upon the eve of the Roll Call. A great opportunity and a great duty confront us. North Carolina cannot afford to miss the opportunity, nor fail to do her duty.

I believe that we are going to make a splendid record in the Roll Call. Encouraging reports have come to me from many parts of the state. The Roll Call Chairmen have perfected a most thorough and effective organization. If we will only carry our plans through to the end of Roll Call Week with energy and enthusiasm the results will assuredly be splendid.

I believe that every chapter in the state, regardless of the size, or its peculiar difficulties, is going to do its best.

May we not again pledge ourselves to a united and supreme effort for an unanimous response to the Roll Call. Yours very truly,

W. C. JACKSON,
State Director for North Carolina
Red Cross Christmas Roll Call.

The above comes to the local workers from the managers of Nation and State. We can and we must make generous response to this appeal, and help put North Carolina to the good with the Red Cross by putting Salisbury to the good.

The Quarantine has brought about a cancellation of all speakings and public gatherings, but we must work the harder to make up for this handicap. The message must be made and must be made thorough and effective. The canvassing committees are prepared to make sacrifices and to give ample time to the work, facing the dangers and the exposures of the hour, will not the public, the whole people be as thoughtful, as generous and unselfish and meet them with a smile and a dollar for the Roll Call.

I am ambitious that the county do well regardless of any and all handicaps, and I am making an appeal to the whole people to come to the mark and let's make this week a red letter one for the Red Cross, by enrolling men, women and children by the thousands for the year's work of this great organization of humanity.

J. F. HURLEY,
County Chairman.

Granite Quarry canvassing committee for the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call has been named and is composed of the following:

Miss Reulah Lyerly, chairman.
Miss Etta Lefler.
Mrs. J. E. Fisher.
Miss Gladys Kirchin.
Miss Florence Henderson.
Miss Sadie Klutz.
Miss Margaret Henderson.
Mrs. W. H. Lyerly.

North Carolina is ambitious to lead the states in the Southern division. State Chairman Jackson is expressing fear of Tennessee, that state having a number of large cities that have set high marks for the Roll Call. He wants North Carolina to lead. North Carolina will not lead unless every one of us interested in the Red Cross do our full duty.

Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels telegraphed Superintendent Jackson as follows:

"In the war the ministrations of the Red Cross have touched every part of the world, chiefly those portions where suffering was the greatest. I am proud to be a member of this organization, and I hope every American will enroll as a member during the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call."

Italian Officers Wounded.
By the Associated Press.

Rome, Saturday, Dec. 14.—During the war the Italian army lost 15,600 officers killed the minister of war developed in the Senate today. More than 70,000 officers were wounded seriously.

The United States may be surprised to discover that it can get along with a radio president—Springfield Republican.

EXCITEMENT HIGH CAPITAL PORTUGAL

Body of the Dead President Taken to Belem Palace to Await the Funeral Ceremonies.

PARLIAMENT SUMMONED TO CHOOSE PAES' SUCCESSOR

President Paes of Portugal Was Assassinated in Railway Station at Lisbon Late Saturday.

(By Associated Press.)
Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 16.—The body of Dr. Sidino Paes, president of Portugal, who was assassinated late Saturday, was taken to the Belem palace to await the funeral ceremonies. Meanwhile the Portuguese government is continuing in office the minister of justice, while parliament is summoned to meet today to discuss the question of a successor to the president.

The whole capital was mourning today with a deep undercurrent of excitement among the military and civilians who are organizing parades.

The president was shot and killed shortly before midnight Saturday while in the Lisbon railway station. His assassin was killed by the crowd.

BIG REDUCTIONS IN PHONE TOLL RATES

Mr. Burleson Announces Basic Charge of Six and One-Fourth a Mills Airline Mileage—Effective on January 21st.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Sweeping reductions in long distance and toll telephone rates by the adoption of a basic charge of six and one-fourth mills a mile, air line mileage, and half the day rate for night service up to midnight and one-fourth the day rate after that hour were announced today by Postmaster Burleson. They become effective next January 21.

The new rates were recommended in the first report of the committee on rates standardization and Mr. Burleson's statement said their effect is to equalize the toll and long distance charges over the country, "removing disparities and preferences and providing a scientific basis for future reductions contemplated as unification of telephone and telegraph wires proceeds."

"A night service rate," said the statement, "which is one-half of the day rate is established between 8:30 and 12 p. m. Between midnight and 4:30 a. m. the night rate is one-fourth the day rate. These are greater reductions in night rates than have ever been made in any country, and doubtless will be extensively used, especially for social and family purposes. A person might talk from San Francisco to New York for about \$4, whereas the day rate is approximately \$16.

"A station to station service is established such as now exists in the balance of the world, that is, when a connection is established with a house of office, the opportunity to converse is provided and the station to station rate, which is the basic rate, applies and is payable whether the person desired responds or not. This rate up to 24 miles is at the rate of five cents per mile and for greater distances five cents for each eight miles, or about six and one-fourth mills a mile. The distance is computed by air line methods and not by pole line or public highways. The air line distances are commonly about 100 miles, when the others would run over 150 miles. It is stated by the committee that more than 60 varieties of toll rates have existed in the United States up to the present time.

GERMANY MADE GREAT BLUNDER.

Her Entrance Into the War Should Be Admitted As a Great Mistake Grand Duchess Declares.

(By the Associated Press.)
Geneva, Switzerland, Saturday, Dec. 14.—Germany made a great blunder in entering the war and should admit she was in wrong, declared the Grand Duchess of Anassie of Mecklenburg, Schwerin, mother of the former German Crown Princess, in an interview today.

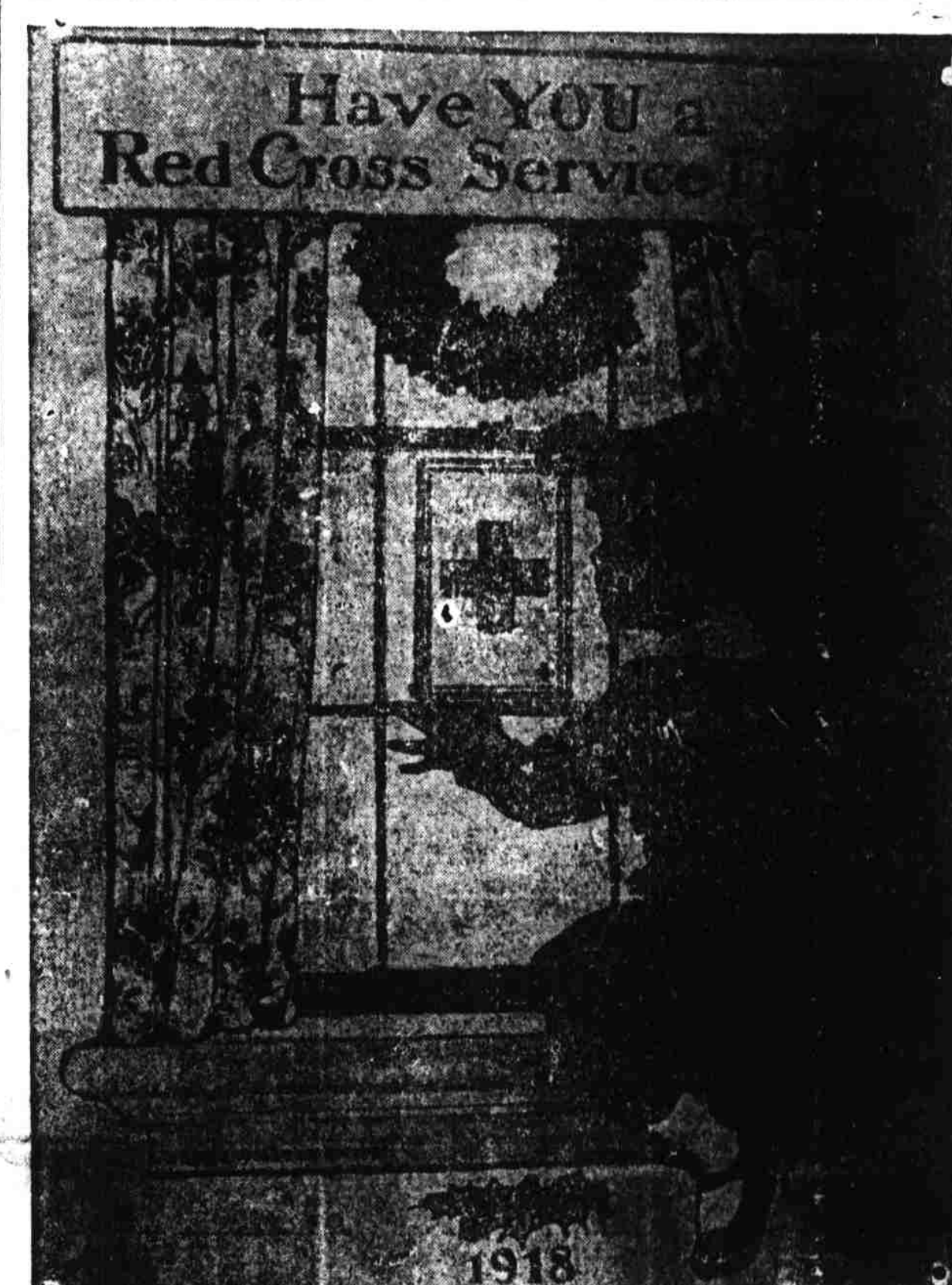
The Grand Duchess, who is a Russian and cousin of the late Russian ambassador, came to Geneva at the invitation of the Grand Duchess.

The Grand Duchess had many relatives fighting against each other on all fronts. The correspondent was the first newspaper man she had talked with since the beginning of the war. Replying to a question about the former emperor the Grand Duchess said: "There splendid man in your language 'don't hit a man when he is down.' Let us preserve this sporting principle during our conversation."

POLAND SEVERS RELATIONS.

Breaks Off Diplomatic Relations With Germany, Says a Dispatch From Warsaw.

(By the Associated Press.)
Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—Poland has severed relations with Germany, according to a telegram received in Berlin from Warsaw.



DISCHARGED SOLDIER KILLED ENGINEER

Coollees Man Discharged From the Army Makes a Deadly Assault On Engineer Winders—Held in Charlotte Jail for Early Trial.

Charles H. Snider, a soldier, said to be from Coollees, discharged from the army at Charlotte, is in the Mecklenburg jail on a serious charge, having on Saturday killed H. A. Winders, a Southern engineer at the Southern passenger station in Charlotte. Snider made an assault on the engineer with a razor, and now says that he killed him in a fit of jealousy. Winders was talking to two ladies, one of whom was Snider's wife, when the man came up and without a word made a deadly assault with the razor, the wound proving deadly.

Snider is in jail and will be given a hearing in the superior court of Mecklenburg county in January.

Winders Remains Bright Here.

The above special from Charlotte tells of an affair in that city Saturday night, word of which reached Salisbury shortly after the occurrence. Engineer Winders was a son of Mr. Cal. Winders of Franklin township and a brother of Mrs. V. T. Leonard, living on Park avenue. He was a young man and was much liked by all who knew him. The remains were brought to Salisbury yesterday and taken to the home of his sister, Park avenue from which place the funeral was held today, and the interment was in Chestnut Hill cemetery.

Snider is said to be from the Coollees section and is being held in jail at Charlotte. In talking of the affair about the only thing he would say was that he committed the deed in a fit of jealousy.

GERMANY MUST PAY HIGH.

Count Ernst von Reventlow Declares Germany Will Have to Pay Whatever Price United States Demands.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—Adolph Joffe, Russian ambassador to Germany who was expelled from Berlin November 4th, because of his activities in financing the interests of the Bolsheviks, is reported in a Bregslan dispatch to have crossed the frontier of bribing members of the soldiers' and workmen's council. He is said to be returning to Berlin for the purpose of attending today's meeting of the soldiers' and workmen's congress, despite the requests of the Ebert cabinet that he keep away from this city.

ANSWER THE ROLL CALL.

AN APPEAL FROM THE MAYOR.

The Christmas Red Cross Roll Call begins today and continues until the 23rd. Universal membership is wanted, and during the week every citizen of the city and county is urged to answer the call by promptly enrolling. You are requested to see the workers, or phone headquarters, and give in the names of every member of your family, every employee in your place of business and all other names that you can secure for membership in this great organization.

Owing to the prevalence of influenza and the quarantine, the campaign as planned by our chairman, Mr. J. F. Hurley, cannot be carried out, however, I feel confident that the appeal of the humanitarian organization with its unparalleled record of unselfish service to the soldier and to humanity will meet with a ready and full response by the people of our community. The American Red Cross followed our flag with its work of love and mercy and its place in the world today is as secure and will be as lasting as the principals for which we fought. It is eminently and beautifully fitting that the call should come just at Christmas time, and let your Christmas gift to our boys and to humanity be membership in the Red Cross. The money raised from the Christmas Call will represent the funds available for the activities of the organization during 1919. This is the last call—answer now—and show your gratitude to the soldiers and to those who have so unselfishly and patriotically worked for the Red Cross, and also show your willingness to serve, as our boys have, oppressed and suffering humanity everywhere.

Enroll one hundred per cent today.

WALTER H. WOODSON,
Mayor.

ADLOPH JOFFE TO BERLIN.

Russian Ambassador to Germany to Go to German Capital Despite Protests of the Ebert Cabinet.

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Count Reventlow believes Mr. Wilson's consent to the armistice imposed on Germany is now to "prove inimical to the influence of the United States in Europe and among its associates."

MORE BOGUS CHECKS WEALTHY MICHIGAN MAN NOW ON TRIAL

Salisbury Officers Begin Hearing From Surrounding Cities of Check Flashers Work—Rock Hill and Greensboro Report.

Following the arrest here of the man giving his name as M. M. Goodman and the woman who signed a check here as M. M. Culbertson, Salisbury officers are beginning to hear from other points where the check flashers have gotten in their work, and it is believed to have been the same couple that attempted operations here. As previously stated it has been positively established that the woman and man passed worthless checks on several Concord firms in payment of purchases, always giving a check in excess of the cost of the article bought and receiving change.

This morning Captain John W. Kessler of the police force received a letter from Rock Hill officers enclosing a check given on the Rock Hill Bank for \$25 payable to Mrs. C. E. Rhine, who signed the check and endorsed the same. This handwriting corresponds with the name of M. M. Culbertson on the check tendered in Salisbury to the Rouzer garage but which was not accepted. Two other checks came in from Greensboro, one signed Mrs. W. T. Walters and made payable to O. P. McArthur & Co., and being for \$25. The other was also for \$25 and was payable to cash, was signed R. H. Horton. Both of these were on the Greensboro National bank. Other checks which have been returned unpaid are expected, and officers believe they hold a pair of noted crooks.

LARGEST WHEAT CROP IN HISTORY

Department of Agriculture Estimates a Crop of 765,000,000 Bushels or 16 Per Cent Larger Than Last Year.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 16.—The largest winter wheat crop ever grown in the history of the United States is promised by the enormous average sown this fall. The average is almost 16 per cent larger than last year and totals 48,027,000 acres. A crop of 765,000,000 bushels, of 50,000,000 bushels more than the best record, is forecasted by the department of agriculture as next year's winter wheat crop, allowing for winter killing and spring abandonment. Last year's crop was 555,726,000 bushels.

CONTROL OF MARINE DEMANDED

Sailors Council Formed at Hamburg and Threatens to Sink Ships if Command Is Not Complied With.

(By the Associated Press.)
Copenhagen, Dec. 10.—Control of the merchant marine is demanded by a sailors council founded at Hamburg, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Berlingske Tidende of this city. The council threatens to sink all of the ships if the demand is not complied with. The council insists that the droming be borne by the ship owners.

SERIOUS DISORDERS IN SPAIN.

Outbreaks Occur at Catalonia and Balboa—King Has Been Asked to Suspend Parliament.

(By Associated Press.)
Madrid, Spain, Dec. 16.—Premier Romanones after a cabinet meeting called to consider serious outbreaks in Catalonia has issued a note declaring that King has been asked to sign a decree suspending parliament.

COLQUITT WRITES TO OVERMAN

Former Governor of Texas Desires to Know How His Name Was Dragged Into the Propaganda Investigation.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 16.—Chairman Overman of the Senate judiciary subcommittee investigating German and brewery propaganda today received a letter from former Governor Colquitt of Texas asking for details concerning the testimony of A. Bruce Bileak of the department of justice regarding an alleged conference between George Sylvester Vierick and Mr. Colquitt in 1915. Mr. Colquitt told Senator Overman he did not recall the incident and asked for the date of the reported interview.

RETURNING FROM SCHOOLS.

Salisbury and Rowan boys and girls are beginning to arrive home from the various schools and colleges to spend the holidays and all during the week these will be coming in in large numbers. Among those to arrive from the State Normal at Greensboro this afternoon were Misses Flora Collett, Katherine Gorman and Mary Sue Irvin.

Put a new leaf in the "Common Table." Many of our new guests haven't had a square meal for a long time and never had a square deal.

Milo H. Piper Charged With Murder of Miss Freida Weichman, Whom He Married, Although He Had a Living Wife—He Says a Game Was Played On Him.

(By Associated Press.)
Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 16.—Further questioning today of Milo H. Piper, wealthy insurance man, charged with killing Freida Weichman after a short honeymoon, although he had a wife living, was expected to clarify several obscure points developed in the case since his arrest Saturday at Hamilton, Ontario. Piper was brought here from Hamilton and added to the mystery surrounding the case by declaring his name was used by another man who was with Miss Weichman. He gave this man's name as "John Sheldon," adding that his objections to the use of his name were silenced by threats of trouble.

Miss Weichman was last heard from by relatives in August, 1915. A few weeks later a body identified as her's only by the clothing was unearthed near a railroad crossing in Eggleston township, Michigan.

CARTER GLASS TAKES OFFICE.

Virginia Congressman Assumes the Duties of Secretary of the Treasury—Oath Administered in Presence of Virginia Delegation.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 16.—Carter Glass was sworn in today as secretary of the treasury in the presence of the Virginia delegation in congress and a group of government officials. The oath was administered by Judge James Hays of Virginia of the Court of Claims, for many years a colleague of Mr. Glass in the House.

Carter Glass, who today takes office as secretary of the treasury of the United States in succession to William G. McAdoo, has been a member of congress for eight terms and is regarded as one of the best-informed men on currency and banking in the country. During the past few years he has had many offers from banking institutions but has preferred to remain in public life. Mr. Glass is a native of Lynchburg, Va., and is in his sixty-first year. He learned the printing business when a youth, and is now the owner and publisher of two newspapers in his native city. He is now the second newspaper man in President Wilson's cabinet, the other being Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy.

NO SPECTATORS IN COURT.

Judge Carlton Announces That Only Witnesses, Court Officials and Defendants Will Be Permitted in Room.

When the Rowan county court convened this morning there were a number of spectators on hand and Judge Carlton announced that all who were not interested in cases or had business with the court must vacate and that this rule would hold until the quarantine on account of influenza was lifted.

There were a number of cases heard. A young negro girl charged with shoplifting, having taken a \$10 fur from the millinery store of Miss Genevra Brady, was given six months at the workhouse. A negro man for carrying a pistol was fined \$50 dollars and costs two drunks paid \$5 each and costs, and an automobilist was taxed costs for exceeding the speed limit. Two young negro men had engaged in an affray, one using a brick successfully on the other, were found guilty. One was fined \$5 and half the costs and the use of the brick was taxed \$10 and costs.

RECONSTRUCTING BRITISH CABINET

Political Speculation in London Chiefly Concerned Over This Matter—Lord George Wants a Woman Member.

(By Associated Press.)
London, Dec. 16.—Political speculation is chiefly concerned with the reconstruction of the cabinet after the election. One rumor credits Premier Lloyd George with favoring the appointment of the first woman minister. The name of Pankhurst is mentioned in this connection.

THE CLOSING BAN IS ON.

Picture Houses and Pool Rooms Closed Saturday Afternoon at 5 O'Clock—No Public Meetings.

Complying with an order of the Board of Health issued Saturday morning the picture theatres and pool rooms closed Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock and will remain closed until the ban is lifted. Only one service was held in the city churches Sunday, the morning service, and the public meeting scheduled to be held at the Tabernacle Sunday afternoon was cancelled. All other public gatherings will be prohibited until further notice.

Regarding the quarantining of homes where the disease appears it was stated no one would be allowed to go into these homes except those who go as nurses or to aid the sick and the doctors. This should include the ministers who are permitted to visit influenza patients in their pastoral visits.

Horse racing in England was known to exist as early as the tenth century.