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WAR QUESTIONS ARE SETTLED AT MEETING

Paris, Dec. 11.—Questions of urgent character relating to the conduct of the war were settled on a basis of complete understanding today at a conference of representatives of France and Great Britain.

FRENCH CRUISER SEARCHES SHIP

Flying American Flag—Third Ship of Line Held Up in Five Days.

New York, Dec. 11.—The steamship San Juan, of the New York and Porto Rico line, was held up and searched by a French cruiser while the steamer was bound from New Orleans to San Juan, Porto Rico, according to a message received by the line today.

The San Juan is the third vessel of this line to have been held up within the last five days the Coamo and Carolina having been searched off Porto Rico this week.

The passengers removed from the San Juan were William Gunthovdt and Fritsch Lothar, both said to be residents of New Orleans. The San Juan left New Orleans Saturday and arrived at San Juan early today. The message from the San Juan to the local office did not give the exact location where the steamer was searched nor the name of the French cruiser but it is believed that the San Juan was searched late yesterday and probably by the same cruiser which held up the Coamo and the Carolina.

The message also failed to state whether the cruiser fired any shots at the San Juan as was done in the previous cases.

ASK A CHARTER FOR HOPEWELL

Town Swept by the Fire Thursday Had Never Been Incorporated.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 11.—While Hopewell was beginning to rise from its ashes today, a committee of its citizens were at Prince George court-house applying for a charter for the town.

Application was to have been made for a city charter when the legislature meets in January, but the need for immediate incorporation has become so great since the fire that it was decided to apply to Judge West for a charter at once.

Governor Stuart has not acted upon the request formulated at a mass meeting of citizens yesterday that the military remain in control of the situation until a charter was granted.

The Virginia State Bank was one of the first of Hopewell's business institutions to reopen its doors. It began operations again today in temporary quarters.

The authorities continued their investigation into the cause of the fire. Reports say they were proceeding on the theory that the fire was of incendiary origin, which could not be confirmed.

Efforts to Secure Army Tents. Washington, Dec. 11.—Senator Martin made an unsuccessful attempt today to secure army tents from the war department to shelter the Hopewell fire sufferers.

Secretary Garrison informed the senator that he was without authority to furnish the tents in the absence of President Wilson, who was on his way to Columbus.

Again Heads Democratic Caucus of the Senate



SENATOR JOHN W. KERN

SOUTHERN LEADERS GATHERING FOR BIG CONGRESS

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 11.—Civic and industrial leaders of the South are gathering here for the Southern Commercial Congress which opens on Monday.

During the five days of the congress, the program will be devoted to fifteen general subjects as follows: Peace, Education, National Defense, Public Health, Public Efficiency, Social Conditions, Drainage, Rivers and Harbors, Foreign Trade, Merchant Marine, Cotton, Rural Credit, Marketing, Good Roads, Agricultural and Colonization.

Among the speakers are Governor Richard I. Manning, of South Carolina, Mayor John P. Grace, of Charleston, Hon. Joseph Daniels, Hon. Lindley M. Garrison, Colonel John Temple Graves, Oscar S. Strauss, Theodore Marburg, James Brown Scott, Arthur D. Call, Brig. General William G. Gorzas, and Director General Barrett of the Pan-American Union.

The following meetings and conferences will be held during the Congress: conference of League to Enforce Peace, meeting of the Southern House of Governors, Southern Cotton Congress, National Drainage Congress, Southern Commercial Secretaries' Association, convention of the Women's Auxiliary of the Congress, Rural Credits Conference, conference on commercial education, meeting of U. S. Commission on Rural Credits, meetings of American Commission on Agricultural Organization, meeting of American Commission on Agricultural Organization, meeting of the National Market Committee, and a conference on immigration and labor.

TO DEMOBILIZE THE GREEK ARMY

Decree to This Effect Expected to Be Issued Shortly, Says Dispatch.

Athens, (Dec. 10 by way of Paris), Dec. 11.—The Greek government has made arrangements for the demobilization of the army. It is expected a decree to this effect will be issued shortly.

The French minister had his second conference of this week with King Constantine this morning. Subsequently, the ministers of the entente powers called on Premier Skoufoudis. It is reported on good authority that energetic representations were made for the purpose of inducing Greece to hasten action in regard to the facilities demanded for the allied troops at Saloniki.

A decisive move on the part of the Greek government is expected momentarily. The interview given by King Constantine to the Associated Press has been republished here and has created a sensation.

TWO ATTACHES ARE RECALLED BY THE KAISER

Also Requests Safe Conduct for Captains Boy-ed and Von Papeu.

OFFICIALS GRATIFIED AT OUTCOME OF SITUATION

Action of German Emperor Simplifies Problem That Might Have Been Vexing.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Secretary Lansing will immediately ask Great Britain and France, thru their embassies here, for safe conduct for Captains Boy-ed and von Papeu, respectively naval and military attaches of the German embassy here, pursuant to a request of Emperor William, who personally recalled the officers. Withdrawal of the attaches has been requested by Secretary Lansing because of their alleged activities which rendered them persona non grata to the American government.

Official announcement of Emperor William's action was made by Secretary Lansing after receiving a communication from the German foreign office thru Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador. The Emperor also requested safe conduct for the successors of Captain Boy-ed and von Papeu, who will be named later. Action on this, however, will await the naming of the successors.

There was some speculation here today as to whether Great Britain and France, in the event the two German attaches leave this country, demand that they go under parole, pledging themselves not to participate in the war. In some quarters, it was thought that this demand might be made. Officials of the German embassy, however, are said to believe it proper to ask for safe conduct for the attaches without qualification because their successors would remove two fighting officers from Germany.

Officials were plainly gratified today over the outcome of a situation which had apparently been fraught with serious difficulties. As a result, Secretary Lansing now is free again to take up negotiations with Germany for a settlement of the Lusitania controversy and the cases of other foreign diplomatic and consular officers. It is expected that the case of Alexander von Nuber, Austrian consul general to New York, will be first to be acted upon.

AMERICAN NOTE REACHES VIENNA

Washington, Dec. 11.—The American note to Austria-Hungary, demanding the discontinuance of the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona and reparation for American lives lost on that vessel, reached the Austrian foreign office at Vienna yesterday.

NEW COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC BODY

New Orleans, Dec. 11.—The Southern Conference of Athletic Organizations, to be separate from the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association, was formed here today by seven of the large Southern universities and colleges which have representatives at the S. A. A. convention, now in session in this city.

The new conference was formed, its organizers stated, because of the action of the S. L. A. A. last night in abolishing the one-year resident rule for football players.

Evacuating Lemberg.

Petrograd, Dec. 11.—(By way of London.)—The report that the Austrians and Germans are evacuating Lemberg, the capital of Galicia, was received here this afternoon from Kiev.

SUSPECT FINED AND PLACED UNDER BOND.

Hopewell, Va., Dec. 11.—W. B. Kainiatsky, the DuPont gun cotton employee who was arrested Wednesday on suspicion that he was involved in plot to blow up the plant, was fined \$25 and placed under \$100 bond to keep the peace after a hearing before Justice Armistead yesterday.

Kainiatsky, who claimed to be a Pole, was reported to have had a bottle of nitroglycerine in his possession, but this was not established at the hearing. Photographs of the interior of the plant and blue print diagrams today were found on Kainiatsky, according to the testimony of the Du Pont special officer.

The Du Pont Company announced Kainiatsky had been discharged.

Commander-in-Chief of Austrian Armies



ARCHDUKE FREDERICK

Many Visitors Here Today; Trade Week A Big Success

This has been a big day with retail merchants of Winston-Salem. In spite of the threatening weather, the local stores have been filled all day with shoppers who are taking advantage of the many bargains offered.

Hundreds of out-of-town people have been in the throng of shoppers, making the closing day of the co-operative fare-refunding week a notably successful one.

Many visitors to the city called at The Sentinel office during the day and had their fares refunded. All expressed themselves as well pleased with their purchases and with the service offered at the local stores.

The big Trade Week Event, under the auspices of The Sentinel and over forty local merchants, has indeed been a big success. New out-of-town purchasers have been secured and in other ways the event has been helpful to the community.

Altogether, Winston-Salem's first Trade Week has been a notable event and those who have helped to make it so are indeed gratified at the results achieved.

Prizes Are Awarded In the Moonlight School Contest

The prizes in the Forsyth County Moonlight School contest, covering the work of the schools during the month of November, were awarded at the meeting of the Forsyth County Teachers' Association held at the high school building this afternoon.

The special effort to eliminate illiteracy is a State-wide movement, and all over the State the conduct of moonlight schools during the month of November took the place of the usual features of "Community Service Week."

In Forsyth the teachers have entered into the work with enthusiasm, and the only seven schools met all the requirements of the contest. Numbers of other schools have been started since the contest opened and are contributing their splendid work in the interest of their districts.

There are probably twenty-five or thirty schools that are not in the contest, but which are making splendid progress. They were late in opening on account of the fact that the adult illiterates in their districts could not find the time to enroll in November because of the work necessary on their farms.

Names of Winners. At the meeting this morning Rev. George W. Lee, chairman of the committee of judges, reported the winners as follows:

The loving cup, offered by Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, was won by Prof. O. L. Pulliam, teacher of Shady Mount school, in Middle Fork township.

The \$25 cash prize, offered by Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, was won by Misses Maude Pinnix and Elizabeth Crist, teachers of the school in Centerville, in Broadway township. The prize will be divided between the two.

The \$15 cash prize, also offered by Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, was awarded to Prof. W. E. Blackburn, teacher of Clinard school, in Clemmonsville township.

FURTHER ACTION NOW RESTS WITH THE COMMITTEE

Amendment to Resolution for Probe of Interference With Trade.

THIS WOULD BROADEN THE INQUIRY'S SCOPE

Introduction of Resolution and Amendment Plunges Senate Into First Debate.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Further action of a Senate resolution demanding congressional investigation of British interference with American trade with an amendment to extend the inquiry to cover bomb plots and loss of American lives in submarine attacks on vessels on the high seas rested today with the foreign relations committee.

The resolution proposed yesterday by Senator Hoke Smith who, in a short speech, denounced the British Orders in Council, drew the amendment from Senator Lodge. In offering his amendment, the Massachusetts senator said: "I think it is of great importance that we vindicate our rights as a neutral in trade, but I think it far more important that we extend protection and security to American citizens."

Introduction of the resolution and its amendment plunged the Senate into its first debate of the session on the subject of the war and its relation to American affairs.

FORSYTH TEACHERS FOR NATION-WIDE CELEBRATION

The meeting of the Forsyth teachers at the high school this afternoon was full of interesting features which were entered into by every one present with greatest enthusiasm. The meeting was opened by President C. C. Martin, who called on Mrs. Lindsay Patterson to preside and present to the body matters in which she has had a personal interest in connection with the work of the members of the association.

Mrs. Patterson made an appropriate talk to the teachers upon the efficiency of the work of those who have participated in the moonlight school movement in the county. She declared that the work they have done and are doing will not only be appreciated by the people in this county and community, but Governor Craig and the other officials of the State recognize its importance and value to North Carolina and will appreciate the splendid success wrought in Forsyth county.

Shakespearean Celebration. Following the presentation of prizes Mrs. Patterson called attention to the approaching ter-centenary of the birth of William Shakespeare, and also to the movement which has been started for a world-wide celebration in 1916.

The war has interfered with the plans in the old country, but in the United States, Mrs. Patterson said, the movement is progressing with the greatest enthusiasm.

Mrs. Patterson stated that on Friday she received a letter from Chicago telling her that North Carolina is doing more for a fitting celebration than any State in the Union. In that the parent organization for this celebration in this State was in Winston-Salem, it is her desire, and the desire of those behind the movement, that Forsyth lead not only the State, but the nation, in setting in motion a movement for a general celebration in every county in the United States.

Resolutions were passed calling upon the State officials to set aside a day for general observance in the county schools of the State, as follows:

Whereas, the Literary World will in 1916, celebrate the Shakespeare Tercentenary, and whereas, all of the states in America are planning suitable celebrations; it is, therefore, resolved that Dr. Joyner, as State Superintendent, set aside a date in March or April, 1916, as "Shakespeare Day" and that all Presidents and Principals of all Colleges and Schools in North Carolina, be requested to co-operate with him in setting aside above date, the same to be marked by suitable exercises.

Be It Further Resolved, that the teachers of Forsyth county, this day in meeting assembled, thru their superintendent, petition Dr. Joyner to take immediate steps to carry out the above suggestion.

Copy to Be Sent Dr. Claxton. A copy of these resolutions will also be sent to Dr. P. P. Claxton, of the Federal Department of Education, as a suggestion for other States in the Union, and also to those who are interested in cities throughout the nation in a general observance.

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INDIANS IN THE WARPATH

Reported As Raiding American Settlement in the Yaqui Valley.

Dec. 10, by San Diego Dec. 11.—Yaqui Indians in the warpath and are raiding American settlements in the Yaqui valley, according to reports.

Construction Commission owns approximately one-half of the valley, has sent word to the American consuls, asking that protection be immediately afforded to the colony in the valley where the reported as raiding farms, stock, burning American and moving towards the station.

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RUPTURE CASE IN FEDERAL COURT

Dec. 11.—This morning the Federal court was in the hearing of the Bucknapp case from High Court.

The two defendants are charged with a conspiracy to defraud by the concealment of property.

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