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(By The Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 9. (Havas Agency).—The Ebert-Schiedemann government in Germany has been overturned, the extremists having gained the upper hand in Berlin after sanguinary fighting, according to latest German advices received here.

A new revolutionary government has been proclaimed, composed of independent socialists.

A part of the government's troops is reported to have gone over to the rebels and the Spartacans now hold the principal points in Berlin.

Civil war is spreading to other parts of Germany, the advices indicate, and parts of the Rhenish provinces and Bavaria now are reported to be involved.

Gustave Noske, commander in chief of the German government troops, will send new forces against the capital in an attempt to regain control of it, it is reported. A desperate reaction by the more conservative elements is expected.

The casualties in the Berlin fighting are reported to have been very heavy. The independent socialists, said to be at the head of the new government, are: Georg Ledebour, Herr Liebmann, and Herr Tiek.

Dr. Karl Liebknecht, leader of Spartacans, is continuing his activities (presumably in an effort to install a government of his own choosing.)

Negotiations Failed.

London, Jan. 9.—Telegrams dated in Berlin at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning and transmitted by the Copenhagen correspondence to the Exchange Telegraph Company say that negotiations between the government (composed of a majority of socialists) and independent socialists failed.

The independent socialists and Spartacans appealed to the w.

The government has ordered the troops in nearly all the garrisons in Germany to move against Berlin and they are arriving there in motor cars. A state of siege, it is added, will be declared in Berlin. The Spartacans control the railroads near Berlin.

Severe Fighting Yesterday.

Amsterdam, Jan. 9.—Severe fighting in which artillery was employed, took place in Berlin yesterday, near the Central Telegraph office. The Spartacans renewed their attempts to seize the chancellor's palace, it is declared in Berlin dispatches to the Handelsblad, but were driven back with the loss of 30 killed and 45 wounded.

Loyal Troops Arrive From Potsdam.

Basel, Jan. 9.—Troops loyal to the Ebert government have arrived in Berlin from Potsdam, and drove the Spartacans as far as Tiergarten and recaptured the printing works according to the Frankfurt Zeitung.

The government, the dispatch adds, has decided to take energetic measures, and has assembled a large number of troops. Ebert has issued manifesto to workers, bourgeois and soldiers, denouncing the Spartacans as responsible for many persons being killed and wounded.

Street Fighting of Great Intensity.

Amsterdam, Jan. 9.—Street fighting in Berlin attained the greatest intensity between 11 o'clock Tuesday night and 5 a. m. Wednesday, according to a Berlin telegram to Frankfurt Nachrichten. Heavy artillery firing continued uninterruptedly. The dispatch says the government is still master of the situation.

Large bodies of troops, particularly artillery, it is added, continued to be sent to Berlin. Premier Ebert is reported to have told a friend that he had no doubt about the issue of the fighting.

Attempt to Assassinate Czechoslovak Premier.

(By The Associated Press.)
Basel, Jan. 9.—An attempt has been made at Prague, to assassinate the Czechoslovak premier. Eight revolver shots were fired at him, none of which, however, took effect.

"None are so blind as those who refuse to see," quoted the Wise Guy. "On some occasions it may merely be a game of blind man's bluff," retorted the Simple Man.

"While," said the friend of the family, "does your mother ever give you a spanking?" "Does she?" retorted Willie. "She gives till it hurts."

THE STATE LEGISLATURE

Novel Recommendations by Governor Bickett—Opposes a Bond Issue for Roads.

By O. J. Coffin for W. T. Best

Raleigh, Jan. 9.—The feature of the second day's session of the North Carolina General Assembly was Governor Bickett's message delivered before a joint session of the house and senate today at noon. The Governor made some startling, novel recommendations in regard to changes in the law relating to bastardy and in taxation.

Mr. Bickett proposes that the father of a child born out of wedlock to be required to support and educate such child, assuming responsibility little short of that devolving upon a father toward his legitimate children.

In taxation matters the Governor urged an honest appraisal of property for taxation and suggests a questionnaire to be used to ascertain just what land is worth.

The Governor opposes a bond issue for roads, saying that state bonds are not at present marketable enough, and that the state, which is running behind on its expense account, should first of all take inventory and determine its liabilities and assets.

In the senate a resolution proposing to endorse the proposal to form a league of nations to enforce peace, was not put upon immediate passage, as its introducer Cooper, of Lenoir, asked, but upon objection of Mangum, of Gaston, who felt there was some doubt as to the advisability of Uncle Sam turning sword-swallower, was referred to the judiciary committee.

COURT CASES

State Docket Completed—Court Adjourns Till Monday.

Superior Court this morning finished up all the jury cases that could be tried at this term of court, and adjourned this afternoon until next Monday morning, when the civil term will be begun.

At yesterday afternoon's session judgment was passed on J. F. Furr, found guilty of assault, the sentence being \$25 and the costs.

Brady Barrett was made to pay half the costs, and given a sentence to the Jackson Training School; and Edwin Cleaver was made to pay half the costs when they were found guilty of larceny.

The case against Sam Hope, against whom the grand jury returned a true bill charging him with rape, has been continued until the next term of court. Jim Caldwell was found guilty of an assault, and was sentenced to thirty days on the roads.

Merley Purvis, who was arrested on a charge of breaking into the Darnell Mercantile Company's store last week, was brought up for trial yesterday afternoon. There were three charges against him: store breaking, larceny and receiving stolen goods, knowing that they were stolen. The jury this morning, after being out a short time, returned a verdict of guilty of larceny.

THE COTTON MARKET

Showed Renewed Firmness Today.—Prices From 40 to 62 Points Higher.

(By The Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 9.—The cotton market showed renewed firmness at the reopening today owing to the strength of Liverpool over the domestic holiday, and the reappearance of Liverpool buying orders in the local ring. There was also a renewal of the scattered trade buying which had been in evidence during Tuesday's trading, and first prices were 33 to 52 points higher, with March selling at 27.42 and May at 26.37 right after the call, or about 40 to 62 points net higher on the general list.

Cotton futures opened firm. January, 28.90; March, 27.25; May, 26.20; July, 25.50; October, 23.00.

THE EARL OF READING NOT TO RETURN HERE

It Is Said He Will Be Succeeded by Lord Robert Cecil.

(By The Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 9.—The Earl of Reading will not return to Washington as British high commissioner and special ambassador to the United States, according to a London dispatch to the Echo de Paris. It is said that Lord Robert Cecil, former secretary of state for foreign affairs, will succeed him.

Allies Friendly to the Russians.

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9.—American and allied operations are friendly and not hostile to the Russian people, although in opposition to German Bolsheviki forces, Chairman Hitchcock of the Senate foreign relations committee said in an address today replying to the recent demand of Senator Johnson for an official statement of the American policy in Russia.

Bodies Have Not Been Recovered.

(By The Associated Press.)

Fayetteville, Jan. 9.—The bodies of Lieut. Harley H. Pope, of New Bedford, Ind., and Sgt. Walter H. Fleming, of Providence, R. I., two aviators, who with an army airplane fell into Cape Fear river Tuesday night, had not been recovered at noon today. Searching parties are dragging the river for the missing men.

Mrs. J. A. Glass, of Concord, was operated on this morning at the Concord hospital, and her condition is regarded as favorable.

COTTON GINNED IS 10,761,278 BALES

Just 46,424 Bales More Than Had Been Ginned Up to the Same Time Last Year, January 1st.

NORTH CAROLINA GINNED 767,020

Figures Given Out Today by Census Bureau at Washington—36,770 Bales of Sea Island.

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9.—Cotton ginned prior to January 1, was 10,761,278 running bales, including 145,712 round bales, 17,570 bales of American Egyptian, and 36,270 bales of Sea Island, the Census Bureau reported today.

Pr. or to January 1st, last year, the total ginnings were 10,434,852, including 184,104 round bales and 89,935 bales of Sea Island.

Ginnings by states included: North Carolina—757,020; South Carolina 1,394,945; and Virginia 20,167.

BASKET BALL GAME

Concord Won Over Badin Last Night by a Score of 40 to 33.

The Concord Y. M. C. A. Basket Ball Team played the Badin five on the latter's court last night and won the game to the count of 33-40.

Leaving the Association Building at six-twenty o'clock in cars the Concord fellows arrived at Badin in time to start the game shortly after eight. The long ride through the cold made them a bit stiff and awkward at first, but after warming up a little they started in to play some real basket ball.

The game was played in what is known at the "Community Building," which is not a regulation gymnasium. The ceiling is low, thus making long shots impossible, and the goals are different from those used by most teams.

Badin has a good team, some of the men being old college players, and they play a good game although there was a tendency to "rough it up" a little too much. The average weight of the Badin team is much greater than that of Concord, some of the latter's players being mere boys, so that Concord's victory is all the more commendable.

While the work of every man on the team was splendid, special credit is due Robert Dick and Earl Dellinger for the excellent guarding done by each in the half they played. These young men were matched against men almost twice their size and age but the big men made a very poor showing, being unable to get away from the guards for a moment.

Following is the line up and score for each team:

Badin—Gilbert, right forward 15; Arnette left forward 2; Rees, center 10; Joe Lee left guard, King right guard, Yara, left guard, Austin left forward, Yara and Austin only played the last half.

Concord—First Half: Edward Dellinger, right forward, 20; Fred Goodman, right guard, Robert Bell, center 8; Dewey Sappenfeld, left forward, 6; Robert Dick, right guard.

Concord—Second Half: Marvin Long, left forward, 4; Edward Dellinger, right forward, Earl Dellinger, right guard, Hugh Goodman, center 2; M. S. Yachelson, Jr., left guard.

Total score for Concord 40. Badin is scheduled to play Concord again on the local floor Friday night January 11th, at eight o'clock. Everybody invited. Come and back up the home team.

Three Aged Salisbury Residents Die in Week.

Salisbury, Jan. 8.—Salisbury and Rowan have lost three aged citizens this week. Jacob Klutz, age 87, died Monday night at his home six miles west of Salisbury, death being caused by pneumonia and old age.

Mrs. J. B. Wheeler, age 76, was also a victim of pneumonia, dying at the home of a daughter, Mrs. W. J. Morton, on North Church street, where she had made her home for some years. Mrs. Wheeler formerly lived in Guilford county but had made Salisbury her home for 25 years.

Sam C. Miller, keeper of the city hall, and who for many years was a well known citizen of Salisbury, died a victim of Bright's disease, leaving a widow and eight children. Mr. Miller was 70 years old and a native of Salisbury.

New Gospel Reformed Church.

The Sunday school meets at 10 a. m. At this time the re-organization of the school for the year will be effected.

Preaching service at 11 a. m. conducted by the pastor. The people are asked to bring their offerings for the orphans, delayed from the postponement of the Christmas service. If you have no envelope one will be furnished at the door of the church.

W. C. LYBELY, Pastor.

PLAN SUGGESTED FOR PRIVATE OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT OF RAILROADS UNDER STRICT GOVERNMENT REGULATION IS LAID BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE.

By Representatives OF LEADING ROADS

Plan Includes Mergers, Unification of Operation, Pooling of Facilities and in Some Cases of Earnings.

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9.—A comprehensive program for private ownership and management of the railroads under strict government regulation, was laid before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee today by T. De Witt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, representing practically all the leading roads of the United States. The plan includes provisions for merging systems; a large measure of unification of operation; pooling of facilities and in certain cases, of earnings, and enforcement of adequate service under the supervision of the secretary of transportation, a new cabinet officer, with the Interstate Commerce Commission acting as a supreme court in review of rate disputes.

Wage and employment disputes which cannot be settled between the employees and the management would be referred to an adjustment board within the department of transportation under the plan, and strikes and lockouts forbidden pending investigation.

Most operating reforms effected by the railroad administration would be continued, but the executives object to Director General McAdoo's proposal of five year extension of government control.

DEATH OF MR. A. J. BOST.

One of the Oldest Citizens of the County Passed Away Early Today.

Mr. Aaron J. Bost, one of the county's oldest citizens, passed away this morning about 10:30 o'clock at the home of his nephew, Mr. E. T. Bost, at Bosts Mill, after an illness of only a few days with pneumonia. He was almost ninety years of age, having passed his last birthday the past May. For a score of years or more, Mr. Bost lived in Concord, where he was in the mercantile business, but for about ten years he has lived at Bosts Mill with his nephew.

One sister, Mrs. Kate Brown, of Lincoln, alone survives of the brothers and sisters of the deceased.

Funeral services will be held at the First Presbyterian church in this city on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

Funeral of Mr. Giles Kindley.

The body of Mr. Giles Kindley, who died in San Domingo, on December 17, 1918, arrived in Concord Tuesday night and was taken to Mt. Pleasant, where the funeral was held yesterday, conducted by Rev. B. Wilson, pastor of the Methodist church. Mr. Kindley was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kindley, of Mt. Pleasant, and enlisted at the beginning of the war, and was sent to San Domingo, where he was employed in the postal service of the government. Mr. Kindley graduated several years ago, with honor, from the Collegiate Institute, and was about 22 years of age. He was very popular, and had a large circle of friends and acquaintances who have heard of his death with sorrow.

At Theatres.

Laughing Douglas Fairbanks will be seen at the New Piedmont theatre today in "American Aristocracy." This is a spontaneous combustion of complications wherein Douglas does everything from driving Hydroplanes to bursting up smuggling plots against the United States. On next Monday, Charles Chaplin will be seen in his first million dollar picture "A Dog's Life."

At the new Pastime theatre today Tyrone Power will be seen in the big seven-reel Mutual Production, "The Planter." This film spectacle is a picture of Herman Whitaker's famous novel of the same name. Don't miss it.

Refused to Give Privileged Status to Bill.

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9.—By a vote of five to three the house rules committee today refused to refer a rule giving privileged status to the bill appropriating the \$100,000,000 requested by President Wilson for European relief work.

Be quick at repartee. If a person accuses you of being one-sided, say "You're another!"

It's all right to extend the glad hand, but most of us feel there ought to be something in it.

DEATH OF DR. J. W. WALLACE.

Prominent Concord Physician Died Early This Morning After a Brave Fight for Life.

Dr. John Woodley Wallace, prominent Concord physician, who has been in the Charlotte Sanatorium for the past five weeks died there this morning about 4:30 o'clock. He was taken to Charlotte to undergo an operation for appendicitis the first part of December. Later his system became infected from the incision and for several weeks there had been practically no hope for his recovery. He made a brave and determined fight for life, only at last to lose in the struggle.

Dr. Wallace, who was the second son of Mr. J. Robert Wallace, of this county, had passed his thirty-fifth birthday the past summer. He was graduated from the North Carolina Medical College in 1907, and in 1908 was licensed by the state as a practicing physician. He was licensed in the same year to practice in the state of South Carolina. For the past ten years he had practiced his profession in this city, and was also one of the promoters in organizing the Concord Hospital. He was also vice president of the City Motor Company.

The deceased was married on November 12, 1915, to Miss Helen Archey, of Concord, daughter of the late Dr. L. M. Archey, and his widow and one daughter survive. He is also survived by his father, four brothers and four sisters.

The body was brought from Charlotte this morning, and prepared for burial at the H. B. Wilkinson Undertaking Company's parlors. The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon, but complete arrangements have not yet been made.

In the death of Dr. Wallace, Concord loses one of its most active and promising young physicians. During his stay here he had built up a large practice, and he also took much interest in the business activities of his home town. His untimely death, although not unexpected, has caused universal regret here and among his friends elsewhere.

HOW SERGEANT STALLINGS DIED

Had Leg Nearly Shot Off at Cambrai.—Letter From Lieut. Wright Dixon.

Mrs. W. H. Stallings, of No. 11 township, has received the following letter about the death of her son, from Lieut. Wright Dixon, November 30, 1918.

Mrs. W. H. Stallings, Concord, N. C.

My Dear Mrs. Stallings: I regret very much to inform you that the report you received from the Adjutant General is true.

Sergeant Stallings lost his life in the battle of Cambrai. He was wounded when he went "over the top" on the 20th of September. A shell very nearly blew one of his legs off and he died in the hospital the next day, the 30th of September. He is buried in the British cemetery near Bellencourt.

Sergeant Stallings was a great favorite in this company and we all mourn his death and you have our most sincere sympathy.

Let it comfort your heart that he died as a hero and gallant man should die, in the defense of his country and you, and may the God of all those men comfort you in your grief.

Most sincerely yours,
WRIGHT T. DIXON,
1st Lt. M-G. Co. (220 Inf., U. S. A.)

MAY MITIGATE SEVERITY OF THE GERMAN BLOCKADE

So as To Admit Passing of Food Supplies to Czech-Slovaks.

(By The Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 9.—The representatives of the allied nations here intend to give immediate consideration to the question of mitigating the severity of the blockade of the Central Powers, according to indications today. Such a mitigation, it is pointed out, would be granted in order to admit the passing of food supplies for Czech-Slovakia, Poland and sections of Russia, and other territory which it is desired to reach, and which cannot be reached except through territory which the Central Powers are holding.

Chaplin Finds Real Task in Handling Canine Actors.

Most producers think that they have their hands full when they undertake to handle a cast of twenty human beings, but Charlie Chaplin learned that such a job is a mere bag of shells peanuts compared with the task of putting twenty stray canines through their paces. However, he succeeded in this achievement with unique success, as anyone will testify after witnessing a showing of his latest film comedy, "A Dog's Life," which comes to the Piedmont, Monday. This is the first picture Charlie has turned out under his new \$1,000,000 contract with the First National Exhibitors' Circuit.

"Have you read Aunt's book?" asked the nephew of the literary lady. "No, I am not especially interested in the subject of red ants," replied the slightly deaf person.

Muggins—"Life isn't all beer and skittles." Buggins—"I don't know anything about skittles, but you said a mouthful about beer."

Wigg—"Young Sapperre should be taken in hand." Wag—"That's what every manœuvre girl in town seems to think."

HARBOR SHIPPING IN NEW YORK IS TIED UP

As a Result of a Strike of 15,000 Marine Workers in an Attempt to Enforce Arbitration of Demands.

WANT MORE WAGES AND AN 8-HOUR DAY

The Tie-Up Left New York With Only Limited Stock of Fresh Foods—Milk Supply Threatened.

(By The Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 9.—Except for a small fleet of ferryboats, tugs and lighters engaged in debarkation of home coming troops and loading of perishable supplies for the American Expeditionary forces, harbor shipping was at a standstill today, as a result of a strike of 15,000 marine workers in an attempt to force arbitration of their demands for higher wages and an eight-hour day.

The tie-up left New York with a limited stock of fresh foods and the milk supply, already seriously curtailed by a strike of New York Dairywomen's League, was further threatened when the shipments from New Jersey halted. Movements of coal, essential to maintenance of the limited supply which the city's storage can facilitate, also was suspended.

STRIKE OF MARINE WORKERS

Went Into Effect Today at New York Affecting 15,000 Men.

(By The Associated Press.)
New York, Jan. 9.—With approximately 15,000 men affected, the strike of marine workers affiliation went into effect at 6 o'clock this morning. At low hour ferry boats, steam lighters, mail boats, coal barges, grain boats and other harbor craft were at a standstill, according to the strike leaders.

Crews of Tugs Join in Strike.

New York, Jan. 9.—The crews of 150 railway tugs joined the harbor strike today, enforcing suspension of all marine operations of the railroad administration. Superintendent Pollock of this branch of the service, says that with ferries and lighters, 1,200 railroad craft were idle.

ORGANIZATION OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS IS INDISPENSABLE

So Says Lord Robert Cecil, English Statesman, in Paris.

(By The Associated Press.)
Paris, Wednesday, Jan. 8.—Robert Cecil, who has arrived here with the first section of the British peace delegation, expressed the opinion to the Associated Press that the definite organization of a league of nations is indispensable as a first step toward the conclusion of that enduring peace and a satisfactory settlement of international problems which have arisen out of the war.

Lord Robert made it clear that his statements were personal views and not an attempt to give the views of the British government.

FIRE AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY EARLY TODAY

Three Fraternity Buildings Destroyed By Fire—Loss Is \$15,000.

(By The Associated Press.)

Chapel Hill, Jan. 9.—Three fraternity buildings on the campus of the University of North Carolina were destroyed by fire early today causing an estimated loss of \$15,000. The blaze started in the S. A. E. building, and spread to the Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Xi structures. The D. K. E. and the Iliad buildings were scorched but only slight damage was caused. The cause of the fire has not been determined.

Fairbanks Was Picking a Butterfly Off the Wall.

When Percy Horton showed up in a motor car with the prettiest girl in Narraport. When Percy asked Douglas to disguise himself as his (Percy's) double and take that pretty girl home, the butterfly hunter didn't wait for a second invitation. Futhermore, he made a hit with the girl. Still furthermore, he found himself involved in a red-hot, combustible and pyrotechnical smuggler's plot that led to a lurid succession of break-neck adventures, "American Aristocracy" is the name of this Fairbanks' picture which will be shown at the Piedmont Theatre today.

One of the most imposing memorials to a woman to be found in all Europe is the magnificent Maria Theresa monument at Pressburg.

Mrs. C. P. Deal, of La Grange, Ga., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Fisher, on Georgia avenue.

Cotton remains at 25 cents per pound on the local market. No seed are being bought.