

Investigating an Alleged Bomb Plot at Columbus, Ga.

Muscogee Grand Jury Called in Extraordinary Session—Bomb Attack Was Expected Last Night.

TWELVE MEN ARE INVOLVED IN PLOT

Plot Discovered Which It is Said Had Been Formulated to Bring About the Wholesale Destruction of City

(By the Associated Press.) Columbus, Ga., Dec. 28.—The Muscogee county grand jury was called to an extraordinary session here today to investigate the alleged bomb plot mentioned here yesterday...

The police continued their activity today to obtain evidence and to round up suspects, and it was said they were ready to present to the grand jury full details of the so-called plot which they claimed had been formulated to bring about wholesale destruction in this city.

Marshal Morton, a city commissioner, in a statement made public last night, claimed that the alleged plot had planned to make their first attack early this morning. He said he based his statement on what had taken place at a meeting of the alleged plotters held Tuesday night in a local cemetery.

In his statement he intimated that the authorities have the name of every man who attended the meeting, although it is supposed to be veiled in the deepest secrecy. Another meeting had been planned for yesterday, but the activity of the police is believed to have called off this meeting.

The police say twelve men are involved in the alleged plot, which includes members of the local police department, malcontents, criminals, and one or two persons from Alabama towns across the river from here.

WOODROW WILSON'S 60TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Observed Quietly at His S Street Home in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Former President Wilson planning a quiet observance of the occasion at his S street home was receiving congratulations today on his 60th birthday. The only scheduled event of the day for the former President was a visit of a delegation from the Woodrow Wilson Foundation at 3 o'clock to extend birthday greetings and inform him of the progress made by the foundation in raising the \$1,000,000 fund to be used in perpetuating the ideals enunciated by him while President.

Half of Davidson Fund is Raised.

Charlotte, Dec. 28.—Approximately \$333,000 already has been subscribed to the \$600,000 building and endowment fund for Davidson College, Malcolm Lockhart, director of the campaign announced here today.

Child Joins in Desiring for Guarantee to Turkey.

Lausanne, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Richard Washburn Child, chief American spokesman joined with the heads of the allied delegations at today's meeting of the captulations commission of the Near East conference in declaring that some guarantee must be given Turkey to replace the captulations for extra territorial rights for foreigners which the Kemalists have declared abolished.

INCOME TAX EXPERT TO BE HEARD HERE

G. F. Dombhart Will Speak Before the Kiwanis Club Here Tomorrow Night.

Washington, Dec. 28.—With the arrival here today of Governor-elect Alfred E. Smith and family the program of exercises and social festivities in connection with the coming inauguration was ushered in with a "housewarming" reception tendered by the citizens of Albany.

CHURCH COLLEGE HEADS O. K. MEDICAL COLLEGE PROPOSAL

President of Davidson, Elen and Guilford, Approve "Eight Million Dollar Project."

Brook Parkley in Charlotte Observer. Raleigh, Dec. 27.—Three denominational college presidents put their oaks to the \$8,000,000 medical college project following a conference with Governor Morrison today.

THE COTTON MARKET

Yesterday's Advances Followed by Reactions During Early Trading Today.

New York, Dec. 28.—Yesterday's advances were followed by reactions in the cotton market during today's trading. The market was relatively easy and there was liquidation of realizing here with the result that first prices were 4 to 13 points lower.

FEAR DEATH AT HERRIN.

So Farmer Witnesses Form Secret Protective Society.

Suspicion and fear are widespread in Williamson County, Ill. The farmers fearing their testimony in the Herring massacre trial was brewing a spirit of hostility among the miners, have organized a secret protective society to guard their families from vengeance.

FIRE IN CHARLOTTE

Wholesale Grocery Establishment of Thomas & Howard Co., Burned.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28.—The building occupied by the Thomas & Howard Co., wholesale grocers, was destroyed by fire here early today by fire of unknown origin. The loss which was partially covered by insurance, was estimated as high as \$100,000.

Irish Women Defy Authorities to Eject Them

New York, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of the former Lord Mayor of Cork, and two other women, who said they were acting for the Irish republic, today defied the Irish consulate in Nassau Street and defied the attempts of Lieut. Gegan, of the police bomb squad, and Lindsey Crawford a Free State representative, to eject them.

Berlin Imposes Tax on Gluttony.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.) Berlin, Dec. 3.—A tax on gluttony is the latest method of raising funds to be decided by the municipality of Berlin. Gluttony is defined in the regulations as excessive consumption of food or drink, and the fact of excess is determined by the cost of the meal. The figure in marks at which the gluttony begins is to be fixed and announced monthly. The cost of eating in excess of this amount will be taxed at the rate of 25 per cent.

PRESIDENT AGAINST SEN. BORAH'S PLAN

Asks the Senate Not to Adopt Resolution Calling For An Economic and Disarmament Conference.

SENDS LETTER TO SENATE LEADER

Mr. Harding Acted Directly to Block Senate Action After He Conferred With Secretary Hughes.

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Harding asked the Senate today not to adopt Senator Borah's proposal for a new international economic conference, saying in a letter to republican leader Lodge that formal Congressional action on the subject now would embarrass him now in negotiations he is now conducting looking to such a conference.

BRITISH SHIPS CALLED BACK TO NEAR EAST

Ships of the Mediterranean League Sent to Malta Recently, Have Been Called Back.

Malta, Dec. 28 (By the Associated Press).—As a result of unsatisfactory news from Lausanne, it is understood that the ships of the British Mediterranean League which arrived here on December 29 for a three-week visit, have received orders to return to the Near East.

WARRANTS FOR VIOLATION OF CHILD LABOR LAW

Sworn Out Against the Postal Telegraph Co., Bell Company and Kress Stores in Charlotte.

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SENATE SENDS MESSAGE TO WOODROW WILSON

Message Expresses Pleasure and Joy Over Recovery of Health by Mr. Wilson.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Without debate and with a chorus of ayes from democratic senators and silence from most of the republican side, the Senate today adopted a resolution offered by Senator Harris, democrat of Georgia, expressing "the pleasure and joy of the Senate" upon the recovery to ward health of former President Wilson.

SPORTSMEN WANT NEW STATE GAME LEGISLATION

Want to Substitute County Control System by a Comprehensive State Law.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28.—A movement to substitute a state-wide game and fish law in North Carolina for the present system by which the individual counties control hunting and fishing will be inaugurated at a dinner here tomorrow night, to which sportsmen from all sections of the state have been invited.

ROTARY MEETING

Talk on Aid For Crippled Children and Presentation of Gifts Featured Weekly Meeting of State Association.

The Christmas meeting of the Concord Rotary Club, held at the Y at noon yesterday, was featured by a talk on aid for crippled children by L. T. Hartsell and the presentation of gifts by the members of the club to other members. A number of visitors were present and the meeting proved an interesting one.

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FREEDOM BELL IS REFUSED DR. MCKOIN

Former Mayor of Mer Rouge Loses Fight to Get Freedom in Baltimore by Habeas Corpus Writ.

WILL BE TAKEN BACK FOR TRIAL

Deputy Sheriff Now on Way to Baltimore to Get Him—Formal Charge of Murder is Made.

Baltimore, Dec. 28.—Dr. B. M. McKoin, former mayor of Mer Rouge, La., today lost his fight for immediate release on habeas corpus proceedings. He was remanded without prejudice to give the Louisiana officials opportunity to present their case.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE BOLL WEEVIL

Under Direction of State Entomology and Extension Department.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 28.—In preparation for an extensive campaign against the boll weevil to be promoted in North Carolina next year, several state, federal and North Carolina State College officials are in Chicago attending a conference of the American Entomology Association.

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