

CRISIS FOR FRANCE HALTED BY POLICY WHICH IS ADOPTED

The Government Decides to Appeal to Chamber of Deputies For Open Vote on Finance Minister.

NEW POLICY WAS REJECTED FIRST

The Crisis Will Not Confront Nation Again Until Definite Action Is Taken on Proposal.

Paris, Dec. 15.—(AP)—The ministerial crisis at least has been temporarily delayed, the government deciding today to appeal to the chamber of deputies for an open vote on Finance Minister Loucheur's fiscal measures which were rejected by the chamber's committee yesterday.

A cabinet council this morning decided that the committee's vote was passed under conditions not reflecting the opinion of a majority of the members and M. Loucheur was instructed to consult the President and secretary of the committee respectively, M. Malvy and Lamoureux in an endeavor to reach accord.

Efforts are being made to induce those committee members belonging to the right parties who refrained from voting yesterday, to support the government now.

TO DISTRIBUTE \$600,000 IN COTTON MILL DIVIDENDS

Mills of Spartanburg County South Carolina, Will Declare Profits on January 1st.

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 14.—Approximately \$600,000 in dividends will be distributed by cotton mills of the county on January 1st. While this represents the profits accruing from mills which distribute dividends locally, it does not include the earnings of a number of other plants which are subsidiary companies to corporations located in other cities.

Included in the latter class are the Pacific Mills and Bleachery at Lyman, Tugalo, Mills mill at Woodruff, Appalachee, Fingerville, Valley Falls and Victor.

Dividends have already been declared by Paeolet, Spartan, Drayton, Converse and Clifton.

These were as follows: Paeolet 5 per cent on \$2,000,000 common stock, total \$80,000; Drayton 3 1/2 per cent on \$550,000 preferred, total \$12,250; D. B. Converse Company, 2 1/2 per cent on \$1,000,000 common, total \$25,000; Clifton Manufacturing Company, 4 per cent on \$2,500,000 common, total, \$100,000. The total amount of dividends already declared is \$307,250.

While the stockholders of the local mills get approximately \$1,200,000 annually in dividends, the employees, the employers are paid approximately \$2,250,000. This latter amount is distributed among 10,000 workers.

GASTONIA MAN KILLED WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

William M. White Killed Sunday Night—Negroes Are Held Charged With Murder.

Gastonia, Dec. 14.—Marybel Johnson and Lemuel Johnson, negroes of King's Mountain, are held under \$5,000 and 3,000 bonds, respectively, following a hearing here today at which they were charged with the murder of William M. White, 67, prominent Gastonian, who died almost instantly after being hit last night by a car driven by the negro woman.

Mr. White was on his way to church in West Gastonia, walking along the Gastonia-Bessemer City highway, when he was struck fatally by the car, said to have been moving at a speed of about 80 miles per hour. He was near the edge of the paved road, it was stated, and the car hit his body so hard that its radiator was considerably damaged. The body was hurled 40 feet.

Gifts That Last at York & Wadsworth Co's.

The York & Wadsworth Co. has turned its big store into a real Santa Claus store of useful gifts—gifts that last—useful gifts for men, boys, women and children. In a half page ad. today you will find a list of honest to goodness Christmas gifts.

MORE SHOPPING DAYS

In order to make room for a larger variety of merchandise for the coming year, the Kidd-Frix Co. is going to sacrifice the stock of toys and games as well as a large stock of other goods suitable for Christmas presents at cost and below. See list of these in a half page ad. today. The store will be open every night until Christmas.

Red Grange Is In Hospital.

Danville, Ill., Dec. 15.—(AP)—"Red" Grange entered a hospital here today to undergo an X-ray examination and treatment for his bruised arm. He is under care of Dr. E. B. Cooley, father of one of his managers.

When Pal Moran was knocked out by Mushy Callahan in Los Angeles the other night it was the first time in his career of 15 years that the New Orleans lightweight had been forced to take the count.

Ran Still



Prof. Dabney Horton, instructor in English, at Ohio State University, Columbus, O., is under arrest on charges of possessing a still and owning liquor, and a sweeping investigation has been begun by order of Governor A. Vic Donahey. Horton is shown above, with the still that was found in his home, below.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady Today With Prices Ranging 3 Points Lower to 3 Points Higher.

New York, Dec. 15.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today with prices ranging 3 points lower to 3 points higher. Near months were relatively easy under overnight selling orders from the South and some further commission house liquidation. Demand developed as the cat progressed, however, and the general market was steady after the initial offerings had been absorbed. January advanced to 18.67 and March to 18.67, or about 9 to 11 points net higher. Covering by recent sellers together with sympathetic fixing for the trade and commission house buying continued to hold the market firm, and prices were within 3 or 4 points of the best at the end of the first half hour. Private reports pointed to gains of 14,740,000 bales to December 13th which were considered fully up to expectations based on the last government estimate of the crop.

With Our Advertisers.

The Concord Plumbing Co. will attend promptly to your emergency plumbing needs. Phone 578. Office at 174 Kerr street. See ad. elsewhere.

Give her Huyler's for Christmas—the candy supreme. At the Pearl Drug Store, Phone 22 and 722.

Give your boy an Iver-Johnson bicycle for Christmas. At Ritchie Hardware Co.

Lovely lingerie and underwear at Robinson's. Real Italian and Milanese silk bloomers, teddies and vests. Prices low from \$1.00 to \$3.75. See ad.

You can get a present for him at Hoover's for from 25 cents to \$75.

Have a musical Christmas, and the Kidd-Frix Co. has it for you.

The Senior Class of Mount Amoena Seminary will present "Little Women" in the auditorium at Mount Pleasant Wednesday, December 15, at 7:30 p. m. Admission, 50 and 35 cents.

Don't wait until the last moment—have your gloves, suits, and wraps cleaned now for Christmas. Bob's Dry Cleaning Co. can do it for you.

The Southern Railway will sell reduced rate tickets to Atlanta and return on account of the Presbyterian Young People's Missionary convention, December 20-31. See ad. in The Tribune today for particulars.

All vibration in the Ford cars has been eliminated by an added improvement to the new improved Ford.

Big Sale of Toys and Games at Kidd-Frix Co's.

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Brussels Line Named As Definite Frontier Of Mosul By Council

GREAT CHRISTMAS FOR GOTHAM POOR

Will Be Happy Christmas for the Poor and Unfortunate of the Metropolis.

New York, Dec. 15.—This is going to be a happy Christmas for the poor and unfortunate of the metropolis. Hospitals, orphanages, almshouses and even penal institutions will share in the holiday spirit. All over the city there will be dinners and trees for the poor. There will be toys for every child and none will be overlooked by Santa Claus.

So greatly has the custom of Christmas charity grown that here in New York, where it has reached its fullest development, it is no longer possible to catalogue all of the benevolent societies and other organizations that endeavor to provide Yuletide cheer for the love's, bereaved or destitute.

Already many of the holiday efforts to carry cheer to those in poverty are well underway. The Charity Organization Society is preparing to make Christmas gifts to at least 1,200 families. The association for the improvement of the condition of the poor will make a "red stocking" distribution of Christmas gifts to at least 6,000 of the needy. Christmas funds raised by various newspapers are expected to aggregate more than half a million dollars this year.

With this money will be purchased clothing, food and other necessities for the needy, as well as toys and sweets for the kiddies. Through the efforts of one newspaper one thousand "shut-ins" will receive radio sets as Christmas gifts.

Today the first of the Salvation Army men and women appeared on the streets with their kettles to seek Christmas contributions. Within the next ten days the organization expects to obtain sufficient money to provide 5,000 families—25,000 men, women and children—with Christmas baskets containing food for two hearty meals, as well as toys. A similar campaign is being conducted by the Volunteers of America.

On Christmas Day there will be the annual parties for poor children conducted by the New York Stock, Produce and Curb exchanges, as well as those by the Elks and Rotarians. The Masons have raised large sums to buy a Christmas home, a settlement house maintained for sheltering poor and negro girls and their uneducated offspring. At the Seaman's Church Institute there will be a party for sailors who are without relatives or friends in New York.

Without regard to race or religion, the numerous settlement houses will throw open their doors to welcome the children to their Christmas tree festivities. Other parties for children will be given aboard the warships at the Brooklyn navy yard and a party for 1,000 children will be given aboard the liner Leviathan.

The orphan's homes, the day nurseries, and the children's hospitals are preparing for elaborate festivities. There will be special festivities for the wayward boys in Children's Village, at Dobbs Ferry; Christmas trees and presents for the sick and convalescent in the long white wards of Bellevue; a party for tiny negro children and their white friends on the street in the Union Baptist Church; a Christmas party for the poor in the Friends' House—these and thousands of others will help to make Christmas a joyous season for the poor and unfortunate in the great city.

Death Car Driver Remanded to Jail. Ridge Springs, S. C., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Gerald Watson and Miss Louise Jones, of Ridge Springs, were killed today morning when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by Southern Railway train No. 8, according to reports reaching here. The accident occurred just out of Ridge Springs.

Sees Prohibition a Success. Providence, R. I., Dec. 15.—(AP)—The achievements of prohibition have just begun, Major Roy A. Haynes, assistant to General Lincoln C. Andrews, chief of prohibition enforcement, declared in an address before Rhode Island and New England law enforcement committee here today.

Reported Without Contradiction, That the League Council Gives Much Territory to British.

Geneva, Dec. 15.—(AP)—After an hour's secret session of the league of nations council today a report was circulated that it had been unanimously decided to fix the provisional Brussels line as the definite frontier of Mosul, thus awarding the greater part of the disputed territory to the British mandate state of Iraq.

MASSACRES ARE ALSO REPORTED

Terrible Picture of Massacres of Christians by Turks Given in Report Made to the Council.

There was no official confirmation of the report. However, it was accepted as a fact in some circles where it was openly declared that the council logically had been driven to it through the impossibility of handing over Mosul to Turkey in consequence of an additional report by General Laidoner, the league's investigating agent.

This report issued today, presents a terrible picture of massacres of Christians by the Turks. The report was prepared in Mosul by three assistants of General Laidoner, of Spanish, Italian and Estonian nationalities.

The report charges that the massacres were committed by officers and soldiers of the 62nd Turkish Infantry.

MAJOR GENERAL COE IS HEARD AT TRIAL AGAIN

Says 10,000 Anti Aircraft Guns Might Protect Washington to a Certain Weather Attack.

Washington, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Recalled by the prosecution, Major General Frank W. Coe, chief of coast artillery, today modified his previous testimony that 10,000 anti aircraft guns could not protect an area as large as the city of Washington from an air attack.

He at first refused to alter the meaning of what he had said, explaining that although anti aircraft guns could protect "certain points" they could not protect the area as a whole. Under hammering by the prosecution, however, he conceded finally that 10,000 guns "in perfectly clear weather" would be an effective defense. He insisted that the number would not be sufficient in cloudy weather or at night.

ARNOLD COMER HELD AFTER LONG MAN HUNT

Youth Being Held in Connection With Triple Murder at Buffalo, Ark., on Sunday.

Yellville, Ark., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Arnold Comer, 16 year old youth, hunted through yesterday and last night by posse from two counties in connection with a triple slaying at Buffalo, a mountain hamlet, Sunday, was captured early today at the home of Ira Bobbett, 10 miles from Buffalo.

News of the capture was telephoned to Yellville by Sheriff Hurst, of Baxley, leader of one of the posses.

Would Dismiss Members of Trustees.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 15.—(AP)—A "demand" was made on Governor McLean recently that he discharge all the present members of the board of trustees of the University of North Carolina, and appoint new members, the Executive's correspondent basing his demand upon the ground that evolution is taught at the University.

The incident was mentioned casually by the Governor, who chuckled in discussing it.

Evidently, he said, his correspondent, whose name was not divulged, did not know that the Governor lacked such authority. The Governor cannot even fill a vacancy on the board, the General Assembly reserving that right to itself, he said.

This is one of the few boards in the State, the Governor pointed out, in regard to which the Governor has no appointing powers. He can even fill a vacancy on the Supreme court of the State, but he cannot fill a vacancy on the board of trustees of the University.

No Indictment. White Plains, N. Y., Dec. 15.—(AP)—The grand jury which has been investigating the charge of Dr. J. C. Bennett, an eye specialist of Yorkers, had sought to tamper with a juror in the Rhinelander annulment case during its trial, today refused to return an indictment, and the charge against Dr. Bennett was dismissed. The grand jury had no comment.

Despite the pessimistic predictions emanating from many quarters at the time of its enactment, the California boxing law, after one year of operation, has proved reasonably satisfactory to all concerned.

"BATTLING SIKI" IS VICTIM OF BULLETS IN NEW YORK CITY

The Senegalese Pugilist, One Time Light Heavyweight Champion, Shot Twice in the Back.

NO ONE LOCATED WHO SAW TRAGEDY

Body Was Found in "Hell's Kitchen," With Revolver Lying in a Gutter Not Very Far Away.

New York, Dec. 15.—(AP)—"Batling" Siki, the Senegalese pugilist, whose turbulent career in prize ring and elsewhere has given him wide notoriety, was mysteriously murdered early today in West 41st Street in a district known as "Hell's Kitchen." The one-time light heavyweight champion was found lying face downward with two gunshot wounds in his back. A revolver with two exploded shells was found in a gutter not far away.

The police could find no one who had witnessed the killing. The neighborhood has been aroused. Patrolman John J. Meehan, who had exchanged greetings with Siki shortly after midnight, came upon the body four hours later. An ambulance physician found the Senegalese dead with one bullet in his lung and another in his kidney. Siki is believed by detectives to have had a brawl in one of the number of night clubs in the neighborhood, and after the altercation, to have been followed into the street and shot down from behind. He was felled in the same spot where last summer he was attacked and almost killed with a knife in a street fight.

The Senegalese lived near the scene of the killing. His wife identified the body at the police station.

LET-UP IN SONFWALL IN WESTERN SECTION

Colorado Is Battered Under 18 Inches of Snow—Air Mail Schedules Annulled.

Denver, Col., Dec. 14.—Winter's bitter onslaught today on western states abated in intensity tonight after submerging points in Colorado and Nebraska under 18 inches of snow and hampering railroad and air mail traffic in the Rocky mountain region.

Air mail flights from Cheyenne where the velocity of the storm centered, were annulled and mail cargoes were sent by train.

Temperatures skidded in Colorado and Wyoming, reaching zero at Leadville, Colorado. General colder weather prevailed in the region.

Eighteen inches of snow was reported on the streets of Fort Collins, Colo., and North Platte, Neb. Huge drifts, ranging from one to ten feet, blocked highway in Colorado.

Railroad lines were kept open, although trains were running late.

One death was attributed to the storm in Colorado.

Snow fell continuously for two days in Colorado and Wyoming, but the downfall stopped late today.

Brabham-Jenkins Case Continued to December 20th.

Winston-Salem, Dec. 14.—The case in which M. W. Brabham, of Nashville, Tenn., and Miss Virginia Jenkins, of Salisbury, are charged with violating the hotel law and which had been continued from time to time and finally set for hearing tomorrow morning, has again been continued, this time until December 20.

No reason has been given for the continuance of the case.

It is understood that many prominent people both from this state and South Carolina will testify as to the character of the defendants. One reason assigned as to why the case has been continued until the 20th is that it will afford a better opportunity for certain witnesses who are to testify to be present. Among the witnesses who will testify, as to the character of Miss Jenkins is said to be United States Senator Lee S. Overman, and it is said that scores of Salisbury people will be here at the trial and will testify as to the splendid character of the young Salisbury woman.

Simmons Refuses to Discuss Tax on Duke Estate.

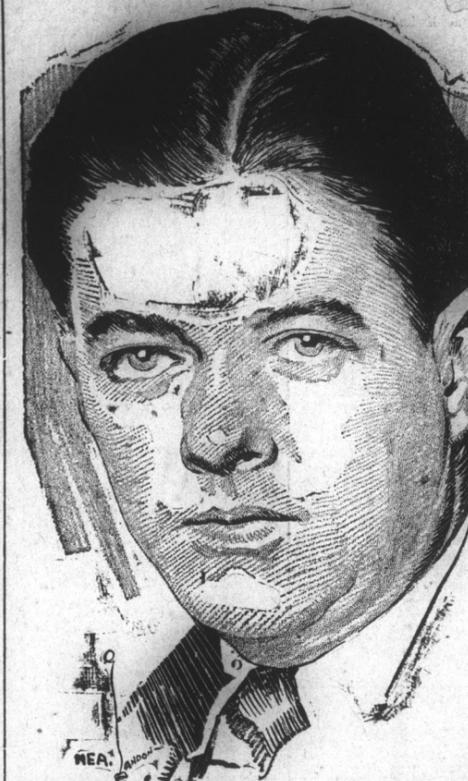
Washington, Dec. 14.—Senator F. M. Simmons, senior Democratic member of the Senate Finance Committee, refused to comment today on the report that \$10,000,000 of the residue of the hospital section of the Duke Foundation will be absorbed by Federal inheritance taxes unless Congressional intervention can be secured.

The hospital section of the Duke Foundation is the residuary legatee of the estate left by the will of the late James Buchanan Duke.

Dr. W. S. Rankin, director of the Duke Foundation, was in Washington today, and this morning conferred at length with Senator Simmons. The results of the conference were not made public.

Senator Simmons takes the position that he cannot comment on the tax matter as it is one on which he must act in an official capacity when the question arises in the Senate Finance Committee.

LaFollette Will Follow the Policies of His Father, He Tells



Washington, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, served notice on the republican old guard today that he expected to adhere to the "progressive principles" of his father.

In a letter to Chairman Watson of the republican committee of committees which yesterday voted his committee assignment as a republican, the young Wisconsin senator said he wanted a clear understanding of his attitude before such assignments were made definitely.

Placed on Committees. Washington, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Undeterred by a warning that he would follow an "independent course" in furtherance of the policies of his father, the republican senate today formally accepted Senator Robert M. LaFollette into the republican fold, from which the elder LaFollette had been excluded.

His assignment as a republican member of three standing committees was given approval in the Senate without debate or a record vote after a last minute conference of party leaders had declined to reverse yesterday's decision classifying him as a republican.

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Four Women and One Man Killed and Five Others Were Injured in Fire in New York City.

New York, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Four women and one man lost their lives and five others were injured early today in a fire that destroyed a five-story tenement in East 14th Street. Three of the women perished on the top floor, while the other woman and the man were trapped in a third floor hallway.

While firemen were fighting the East 14th Street blaze, a fire starting under similar circumstances threatened the tenants of a tenement on East 16th Street.

Fire Marshal Brophy started an investigation to determine whether the fires were of incendiary origin.

Indians to Attend Convention.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—(AP)—The names of six full-blooded Indians who will attend the approaching Methodist young people's convention at Memphis, December 31 to January 3, were registered at Nashville headquarters today by Ralph E. Nollner, executive secretary of the convention movement.

The Indians represent Creek, Kiowa, and Choctaw tribes, and are students in Fulson Institute, at Smithville, Oklahoma, an institution of learning for Indians operated under the auspices of the board of missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The names of the Indian delegates are: James Edwards, Isom Thomas, Sally Lowe, Ida Lewis, Helen Quotone, and Florence Ledford.

Resigns From Shipping Board.

Washington, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Meyer Lissner, member of the shipping board from the Pacific coast, has resigned, effective December 31st.

WATCHING FOR MRS. ALICE RHINELANDER

Unrobed Men Are In the Railway Station at Fort Pierce, Fla., to Keep Her From That City.

HOTEL REGISTERS ALSO EXAMINED

News Dispatches Said She Was Headed to Florida and Might Make Stop at Fort Pierce.

Fort Pierce, Fla., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Unrobed men, said to be members of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, today were standing guard at the local railroad station to see that Alice Beatrice Rhinelander, negro bride of Leonard Kip Rhinelander, does not stop at Fort Pierce.

Last night four hotels were examined and their registers closely scanned by other men to see if she arrived here. Dispatches were received last night stating she might be on her way to Florida, and Fort Pierce was named as one of the possible points of her destination.

Search Made in West Palm Beach, Also.

West Palm Beach, Fla., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Vigorous search of local hotels and rooming houses by members of a secret organization here early today failed to reveal any trace of Alice Rhinelander, negro, wife of Kip Rhinelander, whose recent trial in New York attracted national attention.

Rumors became current here shortly after midnight that the woman had fled to West Palm Beach from Fort Pierce where reports were made that she had been forced to leave that city hurriedly after registering at a hotel. This report prompted immediate investigation.

Rumored Rhinelander Has Returned to Wife.

New York, Dec. 15.—(AP)—A rumor that Leonard Kip Rhinelander had returned to his mulatto wife, Alice Beatrice Jones, was denied today by Leonard R. Jacobs, New York attorney for Rhinelander. The rumor was one of several that have been current since the jury in the supreme court at White Plains returned a favorable verdict to Mrs. Rhinelander.

PUTS A 15-MINUTE NOVEL ON THE AIR

Cosmo Hamilton Says Age of Novel Reading is Fast Disappearing.

New York, Dec. 14.—The first radio novel—that is, a novel written solely for publication by radio—and not in book form—was put on the air here a day or so ago through Station WJZ in this city and WRC in Washington, D. C., by the author, Cosmo Hamilton.

In a statement made a few days ago, the English author said that the age of novel reading was fast disappearing and foretold a future kind of novel that would be condensed from 80,000 or 90,000 words to the number of words that could be spoken in twelve or fifteen minutes.

"Sons and Mothers," the first of its kind, was the novel Mr. Hamilton read to his unseen audience last night. The author commenced reading his work at 8 o'clock and reached the closing sentence about fifteen minutes later. In that time he had read a novel that contained virtually all the elements to be found in the popular novel of today. There were no lengthy descriptions of persons or scenes, but where descriptive matter was essential to the continuity or development of the plot, it was included.

Mr. Hamilton said that in the future he expected to devote considerable time to writing novels of a similar character that would be suitable to a radio audience. He gave as his reason the belief that the era when people stayed at home and settled down comfortably with a book, was almost gone. In its place, he said, had come the radio and evenings were spent listening to what was coming over the air. Thus, he said, there undoubtedly was a demand for the kind of novel that could hold the interest of a radio listener for a reasonable length of time in competition with other forms of entertainment supplied by the broadcasting stations.

Louis Ferdinand, second son of the former German Crown Prince, a winning considerable distinction as a college athlete.

SAT'S BEAR SAYS:

Rain tonight and Wednesday, not much change in temperature. Fresh and northeast and east winds.

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We can furnish on short notice. Engraved Christmas Greeting Cards, with your own name thereon. Let us have your order now, so that you will have them in plenty of time to send out for Christmas. We have an especially beautiful line to select from. Call at

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