



HOLDS OVER WILSON'S SPEECH

SENATE WILL NOT AT THIS TIME STUDY THE DOCUMENT

Resolution to Have It Debated For a Week is Placed on the Calendar After Mr. Cummings Speaks.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 24.—Senator Cummings' resolution providing for exclusive consideration of President Wilson's address until all senators have had opportunity to express their views was sent to the calendar after it had been debated for two hours.

In this it will require an affirmative vote of the senate to get it up again. Opening debate on his resolution for a week's discussion in the senate of President Wilson's peace address, Senator Cummings said the President's suggestions were the most important ever made by a chief executive of the United States, and right or wrong, the senate owes it to the country to set aside time for a full discussion of the issues involved.

"It will be observed that the resolution does not invite nor even properly permit a discussion at this time of the soundness or unsoundness of the purposes announced in the President's address," said Senator Cummings. "I will do all I can to hold the debate to the point of issue. What is it? It is this. Ought the senate on some day in the near future do the country the justice of informing the people and advising the President of our views concerning a policy of the most vital importance to which he has told us he is about to commit his government?"

"Then for the proper discussion of the resolution it matters not whether the President is right or wrong.

"In either case his communication is the most important ever made by a chief executive of the United States."

PEOPLE OF MOUNT OLIVE FOR FORWARD MOVEMENTS

Mt. Olive, Jan. 24.—At a well attended and very enthusiastic mass meeting in the city hall here Monday night, called primarily for the purpose of taking such steps as may be necessary to secure the establishment of a recorders' court here, as well as to bring up for discussion other matters of general interest to the community, it developed that the general sentiment of the own, as represented by those present, is unanimously in favor of the following forward looking movements:

The establishment of a recorders' court. The organization of chamber of commerce, board of trade, or other similar organization.

The changing of terms of municipal officers from one to two years; and the paving of Center street from the depot southward for four blocks.

French Champion Killed.

Pau, France, Jan. 24.—Georges Bernard, the middleweight champion pugilist of France, was killed while making flight. Bernard was attached to the aviation corps. A fortnight ago Bernard boxed three exhibition rounds at a Paris gymnasium with Bob Seamon, a negro, who enlisted in the foreign legion at the outbreak of the war. Bernard was 23 years old, began his career in 1909, and met Badou in 1911 three times, winning twice on points. Papke defeated Bernard in 1912. Bernard won the championship from Marcel Moreau in the 19th round in June, 1914.

Transfer Money at Sea.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 24.—It was reported in local shipping circles yesterday that three steamers which left Baltimore recently, presumably with coal, also took out several million dollars in gold eagles and half eagles for Germany, to be transferred at sea to the raiders sweeping the south Atlantic.

Mr. Idol Ill.

V. A. J. Idol, cashier of the Commercial National bank, is confined to his home on North Main street with a rather severe attack of influenza.

SEEK RECORDS OF BROKERS' SELLING

New York, Jan. 24.—H. G. S. Noble, president of the New York Stock exchange, told the house rules committee at the leak inquiry that the firm responses from members to the request for a record of their transactions in December might be expected by tomorrow or the day after.

"I think they all realize," he said, "that speed is desired and those who are going to respond will respond as quickly as possible."

Attorney Whipple for the committee then resumed his examination on stock market methods, particularly about "short" sales.

FUNERAL OF BAPTIST MINISTER HELD

Funeral services over the remains of Rev. W. Charles Smith, the Baptist minister, who was accidentally killed while hunting Monday afternoon, were conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Green street Baptist church by Rev. J. M. Hilliard, Rev. Thomas Carrick and other Baptist ministers of the city. The services were attended by a large number of friends of the deceased who enjoyed a marked measure of popularity among his acquaintances.

The pallbearers, all chosen from the membership of the Green street church, were N. G. Goodwin, M. T. Choplin, W. M. Turner, J. H. Vestal, D. T. Andrews, and W. S. Chappell. Interment was made in Oakwood cemetery.

AUSTRIA WILL TAKE SUBJECT'S CASH

(By the Associated Press.) Paris, Jan. 24.—Austria has decided on an extraordinary measure to stave off "eminent bankruptcy," according to a Paris newspaper's Geneva correspondent. The correspondent says that a decree is about to be submitted to the emperor whereby a fourth part of the real and personal property of all the subjects and inhabitants of the empire is to become the state's in exchange for a kind of mortgage bond. This bond, according to the papers, the state binds itself to redeem when the financial situation permits.

DEMONSTRATION AGENTS ARE IN CONFERENCE AT WILSON

Wilson, Jan. 24.—A conference of the county agents of farm demonstration agents of the eastern district of North Carolina assembled here yesterday in the new Briggs hotel. Prominent among those present are: W. B. Mercer, field agent of the state relation service, Washington, D. C.; B. W. Wilgore, director of extension services work for North Carolina; Raleigh, C. R. Hudson, state agent farm demonstration work, Raleigh; E. S. Millsaps, district agent for the western division, Statesville; T. D. McLean, district agent for the central division, Aberdeen, and R. W. Freeman, eastern district agent, Wilson.

MOBILIZATION RECALLS SWISS OFFICERS HOME

Washington, Jan. 24.—Mobilization of three divisions of the Swiss army has been called for today. Many commissioned and non-commissioned officers now on leave in this country and attached to the three divisions must return.

The Swiss legation here denies any knowledge of the reason for the mobilization other than it is a "matter of precaution." Diplomats of other neutral countries remark that with Italy massing troops along the northern Swiss border, and Germany massing troops along the southern Swiss border, Switzerland evidently intends to see her neutrality is not violated.

BILL FIXING THE NEXT ELECTION LAWS IS IN THE SENATE

House Reports Favorably the Bill to Modify Capital Punishment Where Felonies Are of Capital Nature.

(Special Legislative Service.) Raleigh, Jan. 24.—Bills amending the state constitution and providing for 1918 elections to repeal the four adopted at the last state election were offered in the house today and will be argued by Representative Haymore, of Surry. Clayton also presented a measure of this character. It was announced by the leaders that they would substitute a constitutional convention next year to bring about the same end.

The house reported favorably the bill modifying the capital punishment law by which trial judges may sentence prisoners convicted to life imprisonment or to the chair in the court's discretion. The measure applies to all capital felonies.

When the Joyner bill prohibiting the throwing of refuse in certain streams of eastern North Carolina was recommitted, members asked if the refuse affected the fish of those waters. The whole argument was predicated upon the fish, but it was learned during the day that promoters of the paper will at Roanoke Rapids will attend the new hearings and protest on the ground that it will prevent the mill's construction.

The senate debated until a late hour the education bill offered by Senator Turner providing for a commission to appoint county boards rather than elect them as many counties are demanding. The Wednesday night caucus is therefore called off and action on the Bertie bill is postponed.

Miss Kate Barnard, prison reformer, and for two terms state commissioner of charities in Oklahoma, addressed a crowded house on prison reform today, the senate having declined to invite or to sit jointly with the house. She urged many measures for better prisons and among them more power to the governor to keep his hand on prison control.

WHITE MAN CHARGED WITH CHICKEN THEFT.

(Special to The Enterprise.) Greensboro, Jan. 24.—For a fortnight there has been an epidemic of chicken thievery and two weeks ago Charles Mobley made his escape from the convict force of Guilford county. The chief of police made the foregoing statements and he stated he believed there was a vital connection between the two. Mobley, he said, is one of the best known chicken thieves in this section. Mobley is a white man, and an indication of how respected is his reputation as a chicken thief, the chief declared, is the fact that he had serving a lengthy sentence for the offense when he made his escape. He had been given a term of 14 months on the roads and began service of it April 27, 1916. Mobley was rearrested yesterday.

HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE HALTS LEAK HEARING

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 24.—The house rules committee today decided to adjourn hearings here on the leak investigation for an indefinite period. Members of the committee who planned to return to Washington today to hold a meeting there sometime later in the week will decide when they shall resume the hearings here.

Announcement of this came while the committee was in session with representatives of the New York stock exchange trying to agree on a new request for submission of records to the committee.

NO PRAYER SERVICES AT WESLEY CHURCH TONIGHT.

It was announced this morning that the regular prayer services at Wesley Memorial Methodist church would not be held this evening and the members of the congregations and the people of the city who are accustomed to attending are requested to make note of the fact.

BULGARS LOSE THE HOLD ON DANUBE

Fall Back To Their Former Positions When Attacked. Little Activity Reported On Other Fronts

(By the Associated Press.) Apparently the Bulgarians were not able to hold the ground north of the southern esuary of the Danube, occupation of which was announced yesterday. Today's statement apparently indicates a withdrawal of the Bulgarians to their former positions south of the esuary.

This is the only important move that has occurred in that campaign. Extreme cold weather is interfering with operations there, and there have been only skirmishes and artillery engagements.

Attention is again turned to the Riga region on the northern end of the Russian front where a renewal of the fighting is reported by Berlin. This was forecast by yesterday's announcement of the resumption of artillery fire there. The Berlin account simply declares that it took a course favorable to the Germans.

On the Franco-Belgian front the pronounced activity of raiding detachments is being continued. Berlin reports numerous air engagements in which the entente lost six planes. Three German machines were brought down on the French front, Paris declares.

The German admiralty's report today of the torpedo craft engagement in the North sea declares only one of the German craft, a torpedo boat, put in in distress at Ymuiden, Holland was more than slightly damaged. The sinking of one British destroyer is reported while a second one of this type was observed in a sinking condition after the engagement.

The British admiralty yesterday reported sinking of a German destroyer in encounter Monday night and the torpedoing of a British destroyer with the loss of 47 men.

WILSON GOES AGAIN TO THE CAPITOL

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 24.—Further extending his plan of transacting business at the capitol President Wilson arranged today to spend the afternoon in his office outside the senate chamber receiving delegations in addition to his usual callers.

Before going to the capitol Mr Wilson shook hands at the White House with 100 independent oil producers and conferred with a committee from the Churches of Christ in America.

GRAND CIRCUIT DATES ARE FIXED BY THE STEWARDS

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 24.—H. K. Devereux, of Thomasville, Ga., was re-elected president of the Grand Circuit for the ensuing year at the closing session here yesterday of the annual meeting of the circuit stewards. E. W. Swisher, of Columbus, O., was elected vice-president, succeeding A. A. Schantz, of Detroit, and W. H. Kinnan, of Cleveland, was elected secretary, succeeding H. J. Kline, of Cleveland. Dates for the coming racing season were announced as follows: Cleveland, July 16-21; Detroit, July 25-August 4; Kalamazoo, August 6-11; Columbus, August 13-18; Cleveland, August 20-25; Philadelphia, August 27-September 1; Hartford, September 3-8; Syracuse, September 10-15; Columbus, September 17-29; Lexington, October 1-13; Atlanta, October 15-20. Philadelphia was yesterday added to the list of grand circuit cities but applications of Jacksonville, Peoria and Louisville, were denied.

ROBBERS BREAK INTO CARS ON A SIDING AT WARSAW.

Warsaw, Jan. 24.—Saturday night robbers broke open three box cars on the siding here and Monday night the store of Thomas and Boyette, grocers, was broken into and the cash register robbed of about \$6 in small change. Warsaw has a night watchman who is supposed to patrol the town at night so as to protect the citizens from thieves and from outbreaks of fire. But it would seem that he is either not on the job or else this is a rather slick bunch of thieves. The present watchman has not been on the job but a few months and this is the first set of robberies that has taken place here in several years.

Cotton.

New York, Jan. 24.—The cotton market opened easy today at an advance of 4 points on January but generally nine to 17 points lower. May sold off to 16.88 after the call or about 16 to 20 points lower with the general list under liquidation. May rallied to 16.99 before the end of the first hour.

Cotton futures opened easy, Jan. 16.79, March 16.80, May 16.98, July 16.90, Oct. 15.99.

BERLIN PAPERS SLOW ON COMMENT

(By the Associated Press.) Berlin, Jan. 24.—Via London.—The newspapers are slow in expressing an opinion on President Wilson's speech, the text of which was received shortly before going to press.

The afternoon papers refrain from comment, even the headlines being non-committal and the stock market, which usually is the most responsive barometer of popular sentiment, seems to be unaffected.

Nevertheless, the speech occupies a large part of the restricted columns of the press and is regarded as the news feature of the day.

SOLDIERS ON FURLOUGH GET EXTENSION OF TIME.

(Special to The Enterprise.) Greensboro, Jan. 24.—First Lieut. Garland A. Ricks of the third regiment, North Carolina national guard, who has been at home from the Mexican border on furlough for the past month, has received word from the commander of his regiment stating that he will be allowed another month's furlough.

Lieutenant Ricks states that all members of the national guard who are in this state on furlough have received similar information and it is supposed that the reason for sending out the extension of furlough to these men is because of the likelihood of the early return to this state of all North Carolina troops who have been on duty at the border since last July.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Ricks left yesterday morning for Louisburg to spend a week with relatives.

Newton Hopeful of Getting Depot.

Newton, Jan. 24.—Prospects of a new depot has brought up again the subject of a down town express and telegraph office. Newton's railroad headquarters are one mile north of the business center. The distance renders express and wire facilities less facile than those things usually are in towns of Newton's size, and their removal from the country to town would make for convenience in the estimation of patrons.

Bryan Cause of Big Demonstration.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 24.—The "dry" forces of Illinois today made the visit of William J. Bryan to the station capital the occasion for an enthusiastic demonstration in behalf of their cause. Introduction of state-wide prohibition bills in both houses of the general assembly was a part of the program.

Weather.

Probably rain tonight and Thursday; not much change in temperature; moderate, variable winds.

BODIES WERE FROZEN TO DECKS OF THE GERMAN BOATS

From Two in the Morning Until Seven German and British Torpedo Boats Fought Off Flanders.

London, Jan. 24.—Special dispatches from Holland give stories of the battles between German and British destroyers in the North sea, but the details, which on some points are conflicting, are most avowedly derived from hearsay and not substantiated. It seems, however, certain that the main engagement began about 2 a. m. and lasted until about 7. It was fought in darkness while the severity of the cold can be judged from the fact that eight corpses on the V-69, the German flagship, were so frozen to the deck when the boat arrived at Ymuiden that they had to be hewn free with axes. Practically all the details of actual damage to the ships referred to the V-69 which, it is stated, was rammed by a British ship after being seriously battered.

The correspondents report that 7 to 10 Germans were sunk, but there is nothing confirmatory.

According to one version the Germans started from Helgoland with the intention of raiding the British coast but were driven back toward Flanders, where some took refuge in Zebrugge.

A number of survivors of the sunken British vessel have arrived on the east coast.

Sank One British.

Berlin, via London, Jan. 24.—One British destroyer was sunk and another was observed to be in a sinking condition in the North sea naval engagement, the admiralty announces. One German torpedo boat put in at Ymuiden, in a damaged condition. The others returned with slight damage.

BETHLEHEM STEEL SHOWS DECLINE

New York, Jan. 24.—Bethlehem steel in response to the opening of today's market to yesterday's "melon cutting" of the directors which included a 200 per cent dividend was a decline of five points to 425 on a sale of 100 shares. The balance of the list was irregular on moderate dealings, price changes in most of the issues being only fractions.

GOES TO CANADA FOR A PRINT PAPER MEETING

New Canadian Decree in Council is Expected to Both Erthe Federal Trade Commission's Efforts to Relieve the Apparent Shortage in Print Paper.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Vice Chairman, Harris and Commissioner Parry, the federal trade commission, announced today, have gone to Ottawa, Canada, to consult Canadian government officials about a recent order in council fixing prices of newsprint paper in Canada.

The commissioners will go from Ottawa to Chicago for a meeting Friday between American publishers and Canadian and American manufacturers. The meeting was called by manufacturers who hope to further the commission's effort for print paper relief.

The Canadian decree not only fixed newsprint prices at \$10 a ton advance over last year but limited export to 80 per cent of a mill's capacity. The export prohibition, however, was annulled yesterday dispatches said, though the maximum price is expected to go into effect soon. It applies only to sales in Canada and will have no direct effect in the United States.

Wheat.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Frcsh declines in wheat took place today as a result of the continued absence of foreign buying. Opening prices, which ranged from 1-8 to 7-8 lower with May at \$1.84 to \$1.84 6-8 and July at \$1.51 1-2 to \$1.51 -78 were followed by a material setback but then a general rally.