

ACCEPTS HIS SHARE OF RESPONSIBILITY

President Makes This Statement at Paris Today, After Calling Attention to the Fact That No One Country is Wholly to Blame for Delay.

FEELING OF APPREHENSION PERSISTS AMONG YANKEES

Premier Hughes Speaks His Opinion on Delay Encountered in Reaching Final Stages of the Peace Parley at Banquet of French Press.

Paris, April 1.—(By the Associated Press).—President Wilson today explained that he was willing to accept his share of the responsibility for the peace conference delay.

(The foregoing is the last section of a dispatch to the Associated Press from Paris slugged "add Wilson." The previous sections being missing. The section received does not make it clear in what connection President Wilson made this statement, whether in the peace conference or otherwise.)

President Wilson was again in attendance today at the meeting of the council of four dealing with peace problems. Between the sessions of the council the President received the bishop of Spalato representing Jugo-Slav interests in the Dalmatian coast controversy.

In the forenoon the President had a conference with Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, shortly before the latter's departure for Italy.

A feeling of apprehension over the lack of progress on the peace treaty persists in American circles here although it is stated in reliable quarters that differences which have arisen have not reached the status of a deadlock.

The principle difference has been found in settling upon the reparations plan according to the payments suggested by the French delegates.

WATER OF THE CITY IS REPORTED PURE

According to the report received today by the city manager, R. L. Pickett, from the state laboratory of hygiene the water used by the people of High Point and furnished by the city water plant is 100 per cent pure.

Petain Academy Candidate. The Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, the permanent secretary read a letter from Marshal Petain presenting his candidacy for the chair of free academician.

HOG PRICE FIXING OFF, PRICES SOAR

Food Administration's Control of Packing Industry Relinquished As Result of Proclamation Signed by Wilson at Paris and Effective Today.

HOG PRICES PASS \$20 MARK WHILE GOING UP

Heavy Demand, Coupled With Fact That Winter Run Has Largely Been Shipped Out, is Ascribed as Cause of Rise in Price by the Bureau.

Washington, April 1.—All meat packers were released today from food administration control. Under a proclamation signed by President Wilson at Paris effective today "all packers, firms and corporations or associations engaged in importing, manufacturing, including packing and distributing, fresh, canned or cured beef, pork, mutton or lamb" are released from licensing by the food administration.

It was stated at the food administration that the President's action released packers from supervision of every kind exercises by the food administration, including restrictions upon margins of profit.

Chicago, April 1.—Hog prices passed the \$20 mark upward bound today when they were quoted at \$20.10 per hundred at the stockyards.

The highest war time price was \$21 last fall. During the winter prices dropped slightly under \$18 per hundred but there have been many advances since the government minimum price guarantee was taken off nearly a month ago.

At the United States bureau of markets this recent advance was ascribed to the heavy demand coupled with the fact that the winter run of hogs was largely shipped out during the winter, leaving the supply comparatively light until the new run of hogs begins in May or June.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS TO SHOW PICTURES

Secretary Massey Has Made Arrangements to Obtain Educational Slides to Show.

W. C. Massey, secretary of the chamber of commerce, has a scheme on foot to show the people of High Point stereopticon slides of an educational nature.

J. D. Mann has furnished to the chamber of commerce, free of charge, the machine necessary to project the slides on canvas and Secretary Massey has made arrangements with governmental departments that furnish the slides to obtain them.

CULGOA SLOWLY IS MOVING INTO PORT

New York, April 1.—Naval officials here report today that the naval supply ship Culgoa, carrying 104 casual troops, which was reported in distress yesterday southeast of New York, was slowly proceeding to his port. She was having trouble with her pumps and moving at a speed of six knots an hour.

PRINCETON PROFESSOR IS STILL AT BUDAPEST

Washington, April 1.—The state department has learned that Professor Phillip Brown, Princeton, is still in Budapest. Several days ago he was reported to have escaped when the Bolsheviks took over the Hungarian capital. He is acting in a private capacity as an observer, but he has made a number of reports on conditions in Austria and Hungary to the department.

Information reaching here does not indicate that Professor Brown is in custody or in any way detained by the authorities.

Bloody Bill and Bit of String Back Wife Murder Charge



Mrs. Walter Wilkins and Her Husband, Charged With Murdering Her.

A section of lead pipe. A blood marked dollar bill. A bit of newspaper. A piece of string of 16 strands. These are exhibits in the case against Dr. Walter Wilkins, accused of murdering his wife in their Long Beach summer home.

Mrs. Wilkins had property worth \$100,000 which the doctor would inherit. In this is found a motive, the authorities declare.

Wilkins claimed his wife had been killed by burglars.

FEAR FRUIT CROP HURT BY THE COLD

It is feared by a number of residents that the freeze of last night seriously damaged the fruit crop, although to what extent no one has estimated. The ice was much thicker this morning than during the freeze of late last week and as most of the trees are in full bloom, it is felt that the crop will be greatly curtailed.

EXPECT BUYERS TO HASTEN FOR BONDS

Washington, April 1.—Prompt subscription of the \$200,000,000 one-year five per cent bonds to be offered tomorrow by the war finance corporation was predicted today at the treasury.

The new issue probably will be out of the way before the Victory liberty loan issue is put on the market April 21. Banks and brokerage houses are expected to purchase most of the bonds.

PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO TO BE ESTABLISHED BY O. W. COLE

In the very near future a photographic studio will be established in this city by O. W. Cole, of Roanoke, Va. Mr. Cole is reputed to be an expert in his line and will specialize on making photographs of the furniture manufactured by the local plants, for advertisement purposes.

UP TO MARSHAL FOCH TO SECURE USE DANZIG PORT FOR THE POLES

Paris, April 1.—(Havas Agency).—Marshal Foch will leave Paris tonight for Spa to meet Matthias Erzberger to discuss with him the allied demands that Polish troops be permitted to use the port of Danzig. Marshal Foch has received full powers to negotiate with the German representative. He will be in constant communication with the council of four of the peace conference.

ENTIRE THIRTIETH DIVISION SOON BE BACK HOME, OPINION OF VETS RETURNING TO CITY

A number of veterans of the 30th division, discharged last evening at Camp Jackson, arrived at their homes in this city early this morning, not losing a moment's time between discharge and entraining for civilian life. Some of the men noticed about the streets worn wound stripes while all show signs of having gone through the strenuous fighting that broke the backbone of the German resistance.

The entire 30th division will soon be home, according to one of the veterans who returned during the wee sma' hours of the morning. Charles Sechrest, originally a member of company M and of Mexican border experience. Corporal Sechrest stated that when his unit embarked from St. Nazaire the remaining units of the entire gallant division were awaiting shipment and that in all probability they were now on the high seas.

DIRECTORS SESSION BEEN POSTPONED

The meeting of the directors of the chamber of commerce called for this evening has been postponed because of a number of conflicting gatherings which the directors feel called upon to attend in lieu of the chamber session. The postponed meeting of directors will go over until Thursday evening at 8 o'clock when it will be held in the new quarters of the organization, in the lobby of the Elwood hotel.

ALLIANCE SOON BE FELT IN CHICAGO

Chicago, April 1.—The recently formed alliance between the non-partisan league and the Chicago labor party will make itself apparent in Chicago soon by the appearance of cooperative stores it was announced today by Morton L. Johnson, secretary of the labor party.

Mr. Johnson said that there would be one store in each of the city's 25 wards and that farm products would be brought to them direct from North Dakota, where the non-partisan league is in direct control and has put many of its theories into practice.

FOE'S SHIPS DISCUSSED BY DANIELS AND WEMYSS

Paris, April 1.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Admiral Benson and Admiral Wemyss, first sea lord of the admiralty, held an extended conference.

It is understood that the question of the disposal of the German warships was under discussion. No decision was to the ships, however, was reached. A number of subjects concerning naval policy also were discussed.

Former Residents Here. Dr. and Mrs. O. D. Baxter, of Raleigh, arrived in the city Sunday to visit Mrs. Baxter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Petty, on North Main street. Dr. Baxter returned to Raleigh today, but Mrs. Baxter will remain in the city for several days.

Asquith Girl to Marry a Prince



Miss Elizabeth Asquith, daughter of the former British premier, and Prince Antonio Bibesco, of Rumania, whose engagement is announced. He is 41 years old and a grandson of the former reigning prince of Rumania.

MAIN LINE TRACKS ARE BEING MOVED

The main line tracks of the Southern are now being moved farther away from the passenger station, workmen being engaged in shunting both the north and southbound tracks several feet to the north. This will leave a much wider space between the tracks and the station when the work is completed and will, according to many citizens, make it necessary to widen the shed which extends down the platform for some little distance.

CANADIAN FORCES IN SIBERIA TO RETURN

Ottawa, April 1.—Arrangements have been made for the return of the Canadian expeditionary forces in Siberia, it was announced in the house of commons today by Minister of Militia Newbern, in reply to a question. The date is being kept secret by the request of the British government.

The dominion contributed approximately four thousand men as its share of the international force sent to the Siberia front. General Newbern explained that, in replying to the question of withdrawal, he referred only to the Canadian forces.

ROOT AMENDMENTS ARE ACCEPTABLE AT PARIS

Paris, April 1.—Commenting on the six amendments to the covenant of the league of nations suggested by Elihu Root it was stated today by one of the legal specialists associated with the American peace conference delegation that he believed all the amendments were acceptable to the American delegation.

HOLD AMERICAN FOR TREASONABLE ACTIVITIES

Washington, April 1.—Secretary Baker has approved the request of the British military authorities in Turkey that they be permitted to arrest on charges of treason James Spohr, a naturalized American citizen, and his wife, declared officially to have been "closely associated with the heads of the German spy system in Palestine and among British Indian subjects."

Weather Fair tonight with a heavy killing frost; Wednesday fair; not quite so cold.

MILITIA TO GUARD PROHIBITION COPS

Four Virginia Prohibition Inspectors Charged With Killing Lawrence Hudson, Alleged Bootlegger, Are to Be Guarded by Richmond Blues.

TRIAL TAKES PLACE AT WOODSTOCK WEDNESDAY

Sheriff of Woodstock County Requested the Presence of Militia During Arraignment of Defendants to Prevent Arising of Possible Trouble.

Richmond, Va., April 1.—(By the Associated Press).—Troops were called out here today to go to Woodstock this afternoon to safeguard the four prohibition inspectors who are to be arraigned there tomorrow on the charge of killing Lawrence D. Hudson, alleged bootlegger, who died of wounds inflicted when Raymond C. Shackelford, another alleged violator of the prohibition laws, was instantly killed while resisting arrest.

Company B, Richmond light infantry Blues, left about noon for Fredericksburg to accompany the four accused inspectors to Woodstock. The inspectors have been held in Fredericksburg and will go by the way of Alexandria in company with the militia as special escorts.

The request of the militia came Sunday night, the adjutant general said today. While the commonwealth's attorney declares he does not think there will be any trouble when the accused men are taken into court for a preliminary hearing tomorrow the sheriff of the county deemed it wise to have the militia on the scene. This is the first time troops have been called out to safeguard prisoners in court in a prohibition case in Virginia.

ROOMS OF CHAMBER COMMERCE READY

The two rooms adjoining the lobby of the Elwood hotel which were selected as the headquarters of the chamber of commerce will be ready for occupation late this afternoon according to the contractor engaged for the work of renovation.

The rooms have been painted, plastered and otherwise repaired so as to make them as attractive as possible. The location selected for the headquarters of the chamber seems to be meeting with almost unanimous approval, much favorable comment having been heard on the streets in regard to the location and appearance of the rooms.

Secretary Massey states that the force of the chamber of commerce will move into the rooms tomorrow morning and have everything ready for work by tomorrow afternoon.

MUNICIPAL COURT HAD A VERY LIGHT SESSION

Only Minor Cases Tried at Yesterday's Session of Municipal Court—Several Hoboes.

Yesterday's session of the municipal court was one of the lightest on record; beyond several hobo cases the docket was non-existent.

Frank Raden acknowledged his guilt on the charge of beating a freight train and was taxed with the costs. Charles Blevins, charged with hobnobbing a train plead guilty; judgment was suspended on the payment of the costs.

James Wesley Hanner was charged with embezzlement. The prosecuting witness, however, withdrew the warrant and paid the costs.

Roscoe Anthony plead guilty to the charge of beating a train and paid the costs.

25 SINN FEINERS FLEE FROM PRISON IN DUBLIN

London, April 1.—Twenty five Sinn Feiners escaped from the Mountjoy Prison in Dublin, a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph reports. Some of the prisoners seized the wardens and held them down while their companions lowered rope ladders from the windows. The whole group made their escape.