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### COMMUNITY WORKERS HELD INTERESTING MEETING

At Clara Hall Monday Afternoon Gaston County Community Workers' Association Heard Interesting and Profitable Addresses—Next Meeting Will be Held at Ranlo.

(By Mrs. Joe Gribble.) The regular monthly meeting of Gaston County Community Workers convened at the Clara community house Monday afternoon and with each successive meeting the interest and importance of the work grows.

Despite the disagreeableness of the first touch of winter a goodly representative number braved the storm, including several visitors, among whom were Dr. J. H. Henderlite, Rev. A. L. Stanford, Dr. W. B. Hunter and Miss Florence Bradford, superintendent of the Gaston sanatorium.

Another important phase of work that lies within the grasp of the community worker was forcibly revealed by Dr. Millard Knowlton, who is in a position to know whereof he speaks, being connected with the state board of health at Raleigh and P. A. surgeon in the United States Public Health Service. Dr. Knowlton highly complimented Gastonia and Gaston county on their way of doing things and that this body of workers were to be commended. Public opinion or sentiment is the greatest asset in removing evils that endanger the general public. Therefore spreading knowledge of the existing evils is of vital importance. Dr. Knowlton emphasized the importance of good clean recreation and sport that would aid the young people in keeping their minds on purity and thus lessen the chances for venereal diseases, of which there is an appalling number infected. Much literature for free distribution was given out which treats of the transmission of these diseases and of what can be done to eradicate and prevent this menace.

Because of this special feature of the program but little time was given over to business. However, a general discussion was in order as to the betterment of the mouthpiece of this organization, The Community Survey, and we are proud to acknowledge the fact that another column has been added and every page full of good reading material due to the untiring efforts of our efficient president and editor-in-chief, Miss Nell Pickens, county home demonstration agent, and to Rev. G. R. Gillespie, business manager.

Under the supervision of Miss Elsie Garrison, principal of the Clara school, a number of small boys and girls with shiny black faces and quaint costumes enacted a negro dialogue introducing a medley of southern darky songs keeping time to the music with a lovely little folk dance which proved some excellent home talent.

An invitation was then extended that we continue our meeting up stairs. Here we were seated at tables arranged T-shape with center decorations of late autumn flowers, and served by Miss Orey, community nurse, to hot cream of tomato soup with croutons and a cheese entree.

The December meeting will be held at Ranlo and the program will consist of a round table discussion of mutual problems, election of officers and plans for the coming year. No community worker can afford to be absent and a full attendance is urged.

**AUTHORITIES REPORT NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN FORD MURDER CASE**

So far as Police Officials Indicate Murder is as Far From Solution as It Was a Week Ago — Beauty Girl Continues to Improve.

There are no new developments what-over today in the Ford murder case, according to the city police authorities. Neither have the county authorities any progress to report. Coroner W. N. Davis has had a jury in session for a week but as yet they have no report to render.

No advices had been received at a late hour today from Tifton, Ga., regarding the plausibility of the minstrel story as told by the negroes, Jones and Allison, held in the Hall county jail. So far as the authorities know, the affair is still shrouded in mystery.

Miss Beauty continues to improve at the hospital.

**NOT AFTER HORNSBY.** (By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 16 — Manager John J. McGraw, of the New York Giants, indicated today that the reported offer of \$200,000 for Roger Hornsby, hard hitter of the St. Louis Cardinals, made last season, will not be repeated. "It isn't our policy to keep driving after a man in a way to break up another owner's ball club," he said.

### TRINITY FACULTY MAY TAKE SUMMARY ACTION

400 of 700 Students Signed an Agreement to "Cut" Classes on Armistice Day?

DURHAM, Nov. 15 — Summary action may be taken by the officials of Trinity college here against leaders in a student "strike" here Armistice day, according to meager reports from the college today. It is understood a faculty meeting is in session this evening to determine what steps are to be taken in the matter.

According to reports, approximately 400 of the 700 Trinity students signed an agreement Armistice Day and the day before, by which those signing were to cut all classes following Thursday morning chapel, if signatures of 75 per cent of the student body were obtained. A mass meeting was held in Craver Memorial hall Wednesday night, it is said, at which several speeches were made by members of the student body. The "addresses" were characterized as "fiery" and "inflammatory," and urged the students to join in the movement for an Armistice day holiday.

It has been declared that the greater portion of the students who signed the agreement that night and the next morning supposed they were signing a petition asking the faculty for a holiday, whereas the agreement was not even presented to the faculty, and had nothing of the nature of a petition. It would appear that it was rushed through by a few and signed hurriedly by many without a careful reading.

When Dean Wannamaker appeared in chapel Sunday morning, it is reported, with the supposed purpose of speaking on the movement, which had apparently come to his ears, he was hissed by many students, and the greater part of the student body rose and left the hall, remaining away from classes for the rest of the day.

All students who took part, or who were absent from classes Thursday were "called upon the carpet" the next day, it is reliably stated, and asked for an explanation of their absence. When it was made plain to the students who signed the agreement, which apparently has never fallen into the hands of the faculty, many declared they had supposed they were signing a petition, and stated further that they would not have signed such an arbitrary paper had they read it thoroughly. Several scholarship students and one army student were involved, it is stated.

Rumors of expulsion were frequent, but no inkling of what is to happen has come from authorities, who will not discuss any phase of the occurrence. Temporary passes to classes were issued to all pending action by the faculty, and football players involved were allowed to participate in Saturday's game against Elon.

It is rumored today that all scholarships will be revoked where students participated, and that ring leaders, who knew what the agreement proposed, who made addresses supporting the step, and who engineered the affair, will be sent home, and all others reinstated.

### NATIONAL FARMERS' UNION MEETS AT KANSAS CITY

(By The Associated Press.) KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 16.—Establishment and extension of co-operative sales agencies to eliminate the middleman in the marketing of farm products was one of the principal subjects on the program of the convention of the National Farmers' Union which opened here today. Delegates from 28 states were present.

The organization, according to delegates, directs a co-operative farm business aggregating \$500,000,000 annually and represents more than 800,000 farmers.

Committee reports were heard at the opening session.

### GENERAL WRANGEL SAILS FOR UNKNOWN PORT

Left Sebastopol on Russian Cruiser Filled With Soldiers — Transports Carry 20,000 Other Troops.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—General Baron Wrangel, head of the South Russian government, whose army has been virtually wiped out by the bolshevik offensive in Crimea, left Sebastopol on a Russian cruiser filled with soldiers, says a Constantinople dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. The cruiser was accompanied by three transports carrying 20,000 troops and another carrying wounded men, the fleet sailing for an unknown port.

Russian soviet forces had not reached Sebastopol before the city was evacuated, it is said. The United States destroyers Humphreys, Whipple and Edwards arrived at Constantinople with refugees yesterday.

### DOES NOT MEAN THAT FRANCE WILL RECOGNIZE

PARIS, Nov. 16.—The defeat of General Wrangel, whose South Russian government has been recognized by France, does not mean that France is ready to consider recognition of the Russian soviet government, it was said at the foreign office today.

The French government is pessimistic regarding any further military movements in Russia at present, it was indicated, not seeing where any basis can be found for reorganization of the fruitless effort against the Moscow government made by General Wrangel, from the Crimea.

### DISCUSS TRADE CONDITIONS.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—Representatives of the Russian trade delegation in London, headed by Leonid Krassin, were in conference yesterday with the cabinet, discussing the preliminaries for the possible resumption of trade with soviet Russia.

Some progress was made, but it is stated there is a sharp division of opinion in the British cabinet on the subject. Premier Lloyd George is reported to favor resumption, but several of the prominent cabinet members are opposing it.

### HUERTA WILL HEAD CABINET OF OBREGON

(By The Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 16 — Adolfo de La Huerta, provisional president of Mexico, will head the cabinet to be chosen by General Alvaro Obregon when the latter assumes office as president on December 1, says the Excelsior, which declares it has authentic information to that effect. Alberto J. Pani, the newspaper says, will be named secretary of the treasury, and General P. Elias Calles will succeed himself as secretary of war. General Obregon has thus far declined a comment on the make-up of his official family.

The provisional president suffered a recurrence of his attack of appendicitis yesterday while conferring with his cabinet and is confined to bed at his home in Chapultepec castle.

### HERBERT HOOVER DISCUSSES QUESTION OF INDUSTRIAL PEACE

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16 — Questions of industrial peace and related problems were discussed today at a conference between leaders of organized labor and Herbert Hoover, former federal food administrator, and member of President Wilson's second industrial conference.

Mr. Hoover, who came to the conference of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor at the request of President Gompers, said he had made the trans-continental trip from San Francisco to discuss "the whole industrial and employment situation."

### CABINET OF VENIZELOS RESIGNED EARLY TODAY

Reported That He Will Leave the Country — Victory of Opposition Seems Complete.

(By The Associated Press.) ATHENS, Nov. 16 — Premier Venizelos' cabinet resigned early today and Admiral Coundouriotis, the regent of Greece, has sent for George Rhalis, to whom, it is expected, will be entrusted the formation of a new ministry.

The complete victory of the opposition seemed almost certain last night, although final results were still lacking. Even leaders of the elements opposed to Premier Venizelos in the elections held on Sunday were surprised by the showing their candidates had made in Macedonia and Attica.

It is said M. Venizelos will leave the country, and he has advised liberals to abide by the verdict of the people.

Demetrios Gounaris, leader of the opposition, has declared the foreign policy of Greece will not be changed.

Latest returns from the election give the supporters of M. Venizelos 118 deputies against 250 royalists. M. Venizelos and all but two of his ministers were beaten. None of the Venizelist candidates were elected in Greece and Macedonia, with the exception of Epirus and the Aegean islands.

LONDON, Nov. 16 — George Hallis, former Greek premier and minister of finance, has been asked by the regent to form a cabinet succeeding that of M. Venizelos, which resigned this morning, says a Reuter's despatch from Paris.

### DEFEAT OF VENIZELOS CAUSES SURPRISE

PARIS, Nov. 16.—Reports that Premier Venizelos, of Greece, met defeat in the elections held on Sunday, came as an unpleasant surprise to Paris. Newspapers here agree that England, and probably France, will forbid the return of former King Constantine to Greece.

Hope is expressed by "Pertinax," political editor of the Echo de Paris, that even a compromise placing Prince George, the eldest son of Constantine, on the throne, will not be sanctioned by the entente. Most writers fear the result of the election, if it brings about the fall of Venizelos, will still further complicate the already difficult situation in the near east.

PARIS, Nov. 16 — With the defeat of Premier Venizelos regarded by the French foreign office as certain, it is said the position of France and Great Britain with regard to former King Constantine is very clearly against his return, and that both powers are determined to do everything possible to prevent it.

Great Britain and France, it is indicated, will not together but will await some indication of Constantine's intention to return. Should that be manifested they then will do whatever may be necessary.

It was declared today at the foreign office that France would take all possible steps to keep the ex-king from the throne.

The question of the return of former Crown Prince George had not yet been raised, it was added.

The defeat of Premier Venizelos, a foreign office statement said, "may be termed a display of gross ingratitude by the Greeks for the man who brought the country to the allies side and greatly increased its size, power and influence, and this view is shared by the allies. It was a great shock to the allies."

A new implement for farmers or florists deposits a measured amount of fertilizer in a ring or disk surrounding a growing plant.

## REFUSES TO HANDLE FURTHER CABLE MESSAGES UNLESS TOLLS PREPAID

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The long standing controversy between the state department and the Western Union Telegraph Company has reached the stage of an open break, the company refusing to handle any further cable messages for the department except upon pre-payment of tolls.

### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONS COMPLETED BEFORE NOON

GENEVA, Nov. 16.—The delegates to the assembly were slow in assembling for this morning's session, but the work of the assembly nevertheless will be well under way before noon. The report of the council of the league on the work that had been done since the league was organized was taken up by the delegates after some preliminary matters had been disposed of chiefly completion of organization of the committees.

GENEVA, Nov. 16.—All danger that the assembly of the league of nations may encroach upon the Monroe Doctrine by considering American questions in the absence of the United States has been averted by the withdrawal of a request by Bolivia and Peru for revision of treaties with Chile. Their requests were withdrawn yesterday, it having been Bolivia's purpose to gain access to the sea, and Peru's to secure reconsideration of the vexing Taona-Arica question.

It is not expected that any other American questions with dangerous possibilities will come before the present session of the assembly. Six committees, charged with dealing with all questions on the agenda, began work today. Each committee has 41 members, all the nations having delegates at the meeting here being represented.

It is reported that South American delegates have agreed that the league of nations should do all it can to get the United States to become a member. Argentina is regarded as a strong candidate for representation on the council of the league, the four elective members of which will be chosen by the assembly after receiving the report of the committee on general organization.

### AMERICAN MINING CONGRESS MEETS IN DENVER

(By The Associated Press.)

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 16 — Gold and the problems of its production under existing conditions were to be discussed at a conference of gold owners and operators here today in connection with the twenty-third annual convention of the American Mining Congress.

The lure of the yellow metal which has attracted men through the ages, has lost some of its glitter for the producers, according to statements already made in addresses at the convention.

Financially imposing cost of operation coupled with what they term "exorbitant" taxation, is given as the cause for the decline of the gold output in the United States from \$22,000,000 to \$7,000,000 in five years.

### PREMIER GOUNARIS MAY HEAD NEW GOVERNMENT

(By The Associated Press.)

PARIS, Nov. 16 — An Athens dispatch received here this noon said it had been announced that the opposition leaders in Greece had decided to entrust the formation of a cabinet to George Rhalis, but as he had refused to undertake the task it was believed former Premier Gounaris would head the new government.

The company's order was issued on November 10, it was said today at the department, and ostensibly was to apply to all departments of the government. It was understood, however, that messages sent by other departments had been excepted informally from the ruling.

The Western Union Company is stated to have based its action on the delay of the department in making payments on cable messages previously handled. Department officials asserted today, however, that it was in their opinion a step in retaliation for the failure of the department to permit the landing of a cable at Miami, Fla., connecting at Barbados with a British cable from South America.

In stating that its order regarding cable messages was issued because of the failure of the state department to pay for messages, the Western Union Company was said to have pointed out that the department had not made any payment since August, 1919. Department officers explained today that payments had been withheld because the company began to withhold the government rebate of 50 per cent on cable messages.

The Western Union was said to have explained that because of war time congestion the international clearing house in London was far behind in the payment of tolls to which the company was entitled for government messages and that no rebate to the government could be made until this balance had been paid the clearing house.

Questions now before the international communications conference also are said by officials to be a part of the row between the Western Union and the state department. Negotiations begun by the American government to obtain one of the former German trans-Atlantic cables now held by the British and thus give direct cable communications between the United States and Germany are said to have reached a successful termination and to have depended for financial fruition only upon the willingness of an American cable company to exchange one of its lines for the former German line, which extends from Halifax to Panama.

It is understood that the department was negotiating with the Western Union for the exchange of cables, but these negotiations are said to have been broken off as a result of other differences between the department and the company.

### OPERATORS RECALLED.

MIAMI, Fla., Nov. 16.—The Western Union Telegraph Company has recalled to New York the 18 cable operators and test men who had been here since September, awaiting completion of the Miami Barbados cable, which has been held up by the intervention of the United States government. It is understood the Western Union intends landing the cable at Havana, Cuba, the men said before leaving.

### LEAGUE OF WOMEN PLAN FOR MATERNITY LAWS

NEW YORK, Nov. 16 — Plans for creating public sentiment in favor of a bill to be submitted to the next session of congress providing for proper care of mothers and new born babies, today occupied the attention of 200 women delegates to the first conference of the second region of the National League of Women Voters.

"Unless we can get the bill passed by this congress," declared Mrs. Maude Wood Park, chairman of the league, "more than 500,000 mothers and babies will be lost." She said at least 20,000 mothers and babies die every month for want of proper care during maternity and infancy.

Mrs. Park announced a conference of representative women throughout the country called to meet next Monday in Washington to discuss methods of promulgating the bill.

### PERUVIAN MINISTER TO FRANCE IS REBUKED

(By The Associated Press.)

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 15 — Disapproval of recent statements made in Europe by Dr. Mariano Cornejo, Peruvian minister to France, and delegate to the meeting of the assembly of the league of nations in Geneva, has been called to Dr. Cornejo by the Peruvian foreign office. Some of his statements relative to United States politics, which he is alleged to have made to a newspaper in Paris, are declared to be "imprudent."

### NEW CABINET OF FRANCE IN FIRST SESSION



The first photograph of the new French cabinet, during a recent session at the Elysee Palace, Paris. Seated at table, left to right: Chapiteau, Minister of Justice; President Millerand, Steeg (Interior), Honrar (Fine Arts), Sarraut (Colonies), Breton (Hygiene), Reibel, Under-Sec. of State; Gignas, Under-Sec. of State; Le Traquer (Public Works), Marshal (Finance), Premier Leygues, Isaac (Commerce), Ogier (Devastated Region), Ricard (Agriculture), Thouryre (Food), and Landry, Minister of Navy.