

TURKEY REFUSES TO GIVE PART OF DOMAIN AS A HOME FOR ARMENIANS

Ismet Pasha Declares It a New Attempt to Dismember Turkey.

ATTITUDE IS AGGRESSIVE

Says Armenians Would Be Happy if Other Nations Would Let Them Alone.

LAUSANNE, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—Turkey refused at today's session of the Near East conference to assign any special part of Turkey as a national home for the Armenians. Ismet Pasha declared this would mean a new attempt to dismember Turkey.

LAUSANNE, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Ankara delegates to the Near East conference are vigorously combating the plan of the powers to write the question of minorities into the treaty which it is hoped will be drawn up here. Ismet Pasha and his associates, fearful that international regulations will be imposed upon Turkey, which will oblige her to protect foreign nationals living within her borders, believe that such conditions would be an infringement on Turkish sovereignty and a slight to her honor.

Ismet Pasha has never been so aggressive as in his attitude on this issue, which in the session yesterday challenged the attention of the world when Ismet declared that Turkey could not allow the league of nations to look after the affairs of the minorities.

The Turkish statesman contends that the Armenians in Turkey would be perfectly happy if agitators in other countries would only let them alone and if they would keep out of play. Ismet made it clear that Turkey would always be a haven for non-Turkish races which believed themselves and subscribed to Ottoman laws and ideals. He also asserted that the Greeks in Constantinople would be allowed to remain there if they were born in that city and if they would become Turkish subjects.

It is estimated that only about 50,000 of the 400,000 Greeks in Constantinople have retained their Greek citizenship and it is hoped here that the great majority of the Greek colony, which is so useful in the commercial life of the capital, will be allowed to remain.

The determined Turkish stand on the minority question is displeasing to the allies. The powers would like to see some definite understanding on this troublesome question formulated at the Lausanne conference at that, as Ambassador Child said yesterday, the population and needs which are now living in fear may feel the presence of protective guarantees for their future safety.

Ambassador Child, in his address on the minorities question, said that the representatives of the United States believed that the ends to be sought were "prevention, rather than mere relief, and guarantees of safety for minorities, rather than mere success to their misery, and permanence of joint action, rather than mere sporadic assistance activity."

In this purpose, he continued, "the people of my country, through far removed, by distance, have a profound interest, and will continue to stand ready in their contributions."

Ismet promised to give a detailed reply to the allies' petition, presented by Lord Curzon, that Turkey find a place of refuge for the minority populations.

KIWANIS CLUB HOLDS ENJOYABLE MEETING

Decided to Hold Ladies' Night at an Early Date—Football Committee Reports—Invites Baptist State Convention to Meet Here in 1923.

In the absence of President D. Montgomery Jones, who is away on a hunting trip, Tuesday's luncheon meeting of the Gastonia Kiwanis club was presided over by the secretary, George Gray.

Judge Sentenced Him, Then Headed List to Raise Money for Him

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 13.—His prison sentence suspended, and traveling on money raised by the judge who sentenced him, Harry Kramer, 19, of New York, will be speeding towards Gotham town tomorrow afternoon.

Young Kramer was arraigned in court here yesterday charged with stealing an automobile. He confessed his guilt to the court and was sentenced to serve one year. The owner of the automobile asked the court to suspend the sentence.

STATE BAPTISTS OPEN 92ND ANNUAL MEETING AT TWIN CITY CHURCH

Gilbert Stephenson and T. D. Matess Are Named Vice Presidents of Body.

MADDRY IS RE-ELECTED

Gastonia, Monroe and North Wilkesboro All Want the 1923 Meeting.

WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 12.—When Rev. W. A. Ayers, pastor of the First Baptist church at New Bern, arose to deliver the sermon before the Baptist State Convention in its 92nd annual session, he faced the largest attendance of any first day of a state convention. Over 500 messengers were present, twice as many as were present at the first session last year.

Dr. Ayers brought a timely message to the convention. It was deeply spiritual and held the attention of the audience from the first sentence. Based on the scripture as found in second Corinthians, chapter 13, verses three and four, Dr. Ayers spoke on the theme, "Some mountain peaks of the gospel in the life of the preacher."

The following new pastors were introduced: Rev. Dr. Livingston Johnson (presenting them to the convention); H. E. Waldrop, McAdenville; J. A. McIver, Louisville; W. J. Banks, Elizabeth City; E. G. Isenhour, Asheville; A. J. Smith, Franklin; A. E. C. Pittman, Windsor; W. G. Hughes, Statesville; E. C. Andrews, Mount Holly; T. Y. Seymour, Raleigh; J. E. Hill, Marshall; R. H. Spero, Asheville; J. R. Jester, Winston-Salem; L. W. Teague, Wilkesboro; T. H. Flemmons, Greenville; R. K. Redwine, Nashville; Zeno Wall, Goldboro; W. L. Griggs, North Wilkesboro; H. S. Howard, Asheville; J. P. Essex, Jackson; E. B. Dillard, Union Mills; W. M. Wilson, Flat Rock; W. D. Hubbard, Raleigh; J. B. Eller, Statesville; S. H. Templeton, Elizabeth City.

This afternoon the convention appointed a committee consisting of Rev. W. C. Barrett, Gastonia; Rev. L. R. Pruette, Charlotte; and Rev. J. A. Snow, Charlotte, to visit Rev. Dr. Walter N. Johnson, now ill in a hospital in Charlotte. The committee is to bear greetings from the convention together with a token of the love of the body. Dr. Johnson, former corresponding secretary of the convention, has been seriously ill for several months.

FARMER-LABOR PARTY ORGANIZATIONS TO BE SET UP IN ALL STATES

Much Accomplished at Cleveland Meeting, Says the President.

THIRD PARTY DEFEATED

Declares Two Big Political Parties Are Owned By Wall Street.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—Delegates to the second conference for progressive political action were leaving for their homes today to perfect state organizations for the nomination and selection of candidates, either through "primaries of old parties" or by "independent political action" as set forth in the program of organization adopted at the two-day convention here.

Formation of a third party was defeated at the closing session last night after a prolonged debate in which many speakers characterized the republican and democratic parties as "owned and financed by Wall Street."

A feature of the report of the resolutions committee as adopted was a declaring factor in securing the election of progressive United States senators and members of the house, request such members of the peoples' progressive program, and that the chairman and secretary of this conference call such progressive members together as soon as the new Congress convenes; direct election of President and Vice President; that Congress and practice of courts in declaring legislation unconstitutional; enactment of the Norris-employment for women.

LABOR EMPLOYED COUNSEL TO IMPEACH DAUGHERTY

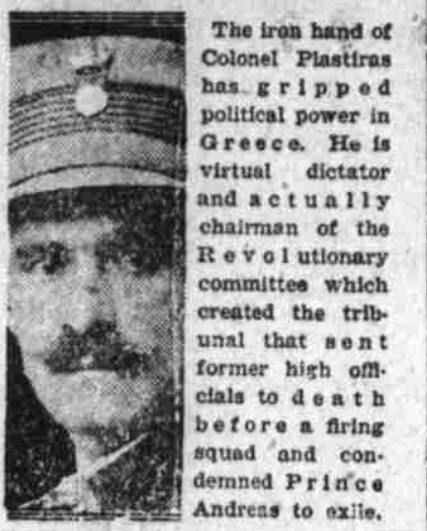
WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, frankly told the house judiciary committee today that the executive committee of the federation had authorized the employment of counsel to assist Representative Keller, republican, Minnesota, in prosecuting impeachment proceedings against Attorney General Daugherty.

Mr. Gompers' statement was made in the course of cross-examination by Paul Howland, of Cleveland, personal counsel for Mr. Daugherty. He emphatically denied that he had first suggested the impeachment proceedings, declaring that he had not known of the introduction of the Keller resolution in the house until he read about it in the newspapers.

"Does Mr. Ralston (Jackson H. Ralston) appearing as counsel for Mr. Keller represent the American Federation of Labor?" asked Mr. Howland. "He does."

"The executive counsel met here beginning on November 14—last month—and during our week's session the question of the impeachment resolution was discussed, particularly in two phases."

Man of Hour



The iron hand of Colonel Plastras has gripped political power in Greece. He is virtual dictator and actually chairman of the Revolutionary committee which created the tribunal that sent former high officials to death before a firing squad and condemned Prince Andreas to exile.

MUCH COLDER WEATHER FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Much colder weather will overpass the Atlantic states Wednesday, except Florida peninsula and low temperature and fair weather will prevail generally in the states east of the Mississippi river during the next two days, the weather bureau stated tonight. Storm warnings remain displayed on the Atlantic coast and from Cape Hatteras to Eastport, Maine, the bureau said, and cold wave warnings were ordered Tuesday morning for the lower lake region, the Ohio valley, Tennessee, the gulf states, the southern Appalachian region and in the middle Atlantic states, northern New England and the interior of New York.

The Day's News At A Glance

France reveals gloom at London reparations failure and unofficial opinion urges her to go it alone for definite results with Germany.

Ismet Pasha demands cessation of all foreign interference in Turkey and his defiance of allies dashes hopes for speedy settlement of minorities' problem.

German leaders profess hope in reparations negotiations despite collapse of London proceedings.

British labor party, disappointed at moves to deal with unemployment, adopts obstructive tactics in House of Commons.

Virulent typhus epidemic wipes out whole families in Erris district, county of Mayo, Ireland.

Polish minister of interior forced to resign as result of rioting and further disorders are anticipated.

Hundreds workers reported killed and injured in boiler explosion which wrecked Cuban sugar mill.

Evangeline Booth declares Salvation army lost honored benefactor in death of John Wanamaker.

Christmas greens will cost slightly less this year, New York department of farms and markets reports.

Jacob Ruppert asserts that he will be sole owner of Yankee baseball club within a week.

Brainbridge Colby announces that his partnership in New York with Woodrow Wilson will end December 31.

Clemenceau completes his "speech mission" with New York address and sails for home on steamer Paris today.

Theodore Kramer, author of "The Fatal Wedding" and other melodramatic successes, is seriously ill at Dresden, Germany.

Cold weather grips the northwest and west, moving rapidly to eastern seaboard.

Dr. M. Royal Whitensack, Newark, N. J., baby specialist for whose recovery hundreds had prayed, dies of blood poisoning apparently martyr to his profession.

Ran Johnson denies differences with Commissioner Landis and says he is in full agreement with latter's baseball administration.

United States government withholds action on proposed merger of Armour and Morris meat packing concerns.

Another Postoffice Robbery Occurs Near Fayetteville.

FAYETTEVILLE, Dec. 12.—Local officers are today investigating the second postoffice robbery to occur in this county in the past 24 hours which took place last night when eggs entered a substitution of the federal office located at the Hawthorne silk mill village one and a half miles south of this city. The robbers secured \$80 and a quantity of stamps. The safe was carried through the back door and broken open.

North Carolina: Mostly cloudy to night and Thursday, probably rain Thursday, warmer in extreme west Thursday.

AFTER 16 YEARS ON BENCH JUDGE LYON IS OPPOSED TO CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

Sentenced First Man in North Carolina to Electric Chair.

FAILED OF ITS PURPOSE

Distinguished Jurist Is Now 72 Years Old, But Still Active.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 13.—(By The Associated Press.)—After sixteen years on the bench, during which I sentenced the first man to die in North Carolina's electric chair and have passed the death sentence on five others who were executed, I am more than ever opposed to capital punishment.

Judge C. C. Lyon, now in Raleigh presiding over his last term of superior court, today made this statement to The Associated Press while discussing his experiences and the impressions he had gained while serving as a jurist.

"I would be more active in my opposition to capital punishment," he said, "if it were not for the fact that a majority of persons convicted of crimes carrying long terms of imprisonment either escape or are granted clemency within a few years. Very few of them ever serve their complete sentences."

"Still, I believe capital punishment has failed of its purpose and is not humane."

Although seventy-two years of age, Judge Lyon is very active. His face and figure give him an appearance typical of a jurist. His hair and moustache are white, but the blue-grey eyes that peer at one from behind shell-rimmed glasses are clear and steady.

"Sixteen years is long enough for a man to spend on one job," he smilingly replied when asked why he was retiring.

"When I became judge of the superior court, I reached the height of my ambition. As a youngster, I used to drift into Elizabethtown and there I invariably wound my way to the courthouse, where I listened to the trial of cases. I resolved then that my goal in life was to become a superior court judge."

Judge Lyon's early education was interrupted by the war between the states and the resulting conditions, but later he attended the Mayesville high school in Bladen county and then studied law in the offices of his older brother, the late Robert H. Lyon, at Elizabethtown. He was admitted to the bar in 1872.

Baptists Oust College President in Missouri for Religious Views

LIBERTY, Mo., Dec. 13.—Dr. Wakefield A. Slaten has been dismissed from the faculty of William Jewell College here, according to John S. Majors, president of the board of college trustees, after a request by the trustees that he resign was refused.

Disapproval by the more conservative element in the Baptist church of some of Dr. Slaten's views, adduced in his classes in Biblical history and religious education, was assigned as the reason for his dismissal, which will be effective Friday.

Dr. Slaten said conservatives of the church had threatened to withdraw support of a \$400,000 campaign for college funds unless he was dismissed.

Dr. Slaten is author of a book, "What Jesus Taught." He recently was said to have expressed the belief that "the deepest religious attitude is entirely compatible with a world view in harmony with present knowledge."

POLICE FIND NO MOTIVE FOR MURDER OF WOMAN AT THE POLLARD HOME

Body of Mrs. Richardson to Be Taken to Her Former Home in Atlanta.

WEST WAS WITH WOMAN

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 13.—With no definite motive established for the killing of Mrs. Thelma Richardson, stenographer, formerly of Atlanta, who was shot to death late Monday at the home of Thomas Pollard, real estate and insurance man, local police early today were working on two theories which may solve what they now consider a mystery.

FRANCE FULLY RESOLVED TO ACT ALONE, IF NEED BE ON THE GERMAN QUESTION

Poincare Reserves Right to Use Free Hand in Seizing Security.

FRANCE'S PLANS SECRET

Time for Threats Without Acts Has Passed, Says French Premier.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Poincare, in the resumption of the parliamentary debate on the French foreign policy, will announce that the government retains the right to use a free hand in seizing security for the German debt. However, he will not specify what this security will be nor will he give a detailed account of his plans.

The premier made this clear to inter-viewers last night, saying he would speak either spontaneously or in reply to interpellations on the "fresh" postponement of the "occupation of the Ruhr" of which Leon Daudet and others have given notice.

"I never said I thought of occupying the Ruhr," he told his questioners. "I do not know exactly which we would choose. If we did we would be very careful not to cry it from the housetops."

"This, however, is certain: Whatever action we decide on will not involve the calling up of a single man. What is no less certain is that the time for threats without acts has passed. We have fully resolved to act, even alone, and even if before January 15 the reparations commission pronounces in favor of a fresh moratorium for Germany."

"In any case we cannot take any step before January 15. That is why it is wrong to speak of postponement. We postponed nothing and the fact that we are adjourning continuation of our discussions to the beginning of next month involves no loss of time."

The atmosphere for the parliamentary debates now appears less feverish and the situation is viewed with greater complacency by the press which, like the Parisian, more or less supports the government, pointing out that the premier did not come back from London empty handed. Attention is also called to the fact that France obtained from her allies concessions, which while not complete, are none the less important; notably, Britain's new attitude toward the inter-related debts, which could hardly have been hoped for after her refusal even to consider the question six months ago. "It newspapers also point out that Great Britain and Italy are now willing to take customs, mines and forests as securities for the German reparations."

WATER WORKS MEN EXPRESS THEIR THANKS

The Gazette is in receipt of the following resolution adopted at the recent water works convention held here:

By the North Carolina Section, American Water Works Association, in annual convention at Gastonia, November 16, 1922.

Resolved: That the Section is deeply appreciative of the many courtesies extended it by Mayor Cherry, by the Water Commissioners and by the City Manager of Gastonia whose permission to use the new filtration plant for meetings added a novel and attractive feature to the convention, while the splendid banquet provided the members and guests by the City proved a delightful entertainment; and be it further

Resolved: That the Section is deeply sensible of the energy and enthusiasm of City Manager Alexander, whose constant help and advice did more than anything else to make this convention not only the largest which the Section has ever held, but the most profitable and the most enjoyable; and be it further

Resolved: That copies of these resolutions be sent to Mayor Cherry, City Manager Alexander, the Water Commissioners of Gastonia, and The Gastonia Gazette.

By THORNDIKE SEVILLE, Secretary.
Chapel Hill, November 24, 1922.

COTTON MARKET

GASTONIA COTTON.
Today's receipts 43 bales
Price 25 cents

CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKETS
NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Cotton futures closed steady as follows: Jan. 25.38; May, 25.43; June, 25.30; July, 24.21; Dec., 25.32; Sept., 25.55; steady.