

WEATHER: Fair tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. General winds, mostly west and northwest.

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## SIMMONS DECLARES FOR MILD RESERVATIONS OF THE TREATY

Washington Report Says That Smith, of South Carolina and Other Southern Senators Also Agree

## FIGHT ON N. C. FREIGHT RATES

(By Maxwell Gorman.)  
Raleigh, Sept. 9.—There is much interest being taken in the meeting now assembling its "delegates" for the get-together work in the interest of North Carolina people interested in freight rates—and most of us are if not as merchants, manufacturers or other dealers, then as consumers.

Over 100 business men of North Carolina representing 31 organizations, are to meet here today to put in shape for final presentation the state's prayer for relief from further burdensome rate discrimination. On September 15th the railroad administration proposes to impose a fifteen per cent increase in freight rates in all territory—except what the corporation commissions yeelpts "the Shippers' Canaan, known as the Old Dominion, the State of Virginia," where its cities "imprudently advertise to the detriment of N. C." The idea is to protect N. C. points at the hearing, and in order to do that effectively there must be united action of a vigorous sort. So a tolerably effective argument has been assembled by the chamber of commerce in the brief filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by the representatives of the N. C. shippers. The action to be taken is important, the appeal will be perfected and the plan of action more fully and generally agreed on.

**Simmons for Reservations.**  
Information reaching here from Washington is to the effect that Senator Simmons, Senator Smith of South Carolina, and some other Southern senators will join the "mild reservation" forces in dealing with the ratification of the peace treaty when the senate takes up the treaty of this week.

It seems to be the opinion here, as well as here, that the ratification of the treaty will carry certain reservations with it and it is understood that Senator Simmons, while announced as a "reservationist," will be found to be against the radical reservation group of senators.

Raleigh grocers are displaying the sign "No Sugar" and another temporary sugar famine is on at a time when the preserving season is not past. The \$5,000 pounds which the U. C. authorities found "hoarded" in a store here is now "exhausted." Like the judiciary of the state was alleged to be by a famous jurist in the days ago. Other towns are reported to be shy on the sweet stuff, also. But take heart—one store alone expects a carload or so in a few days. Plenty of it is said to be on the face of the earth and there is no good reason why enough to go around should not be hauled into North Carolina.

## THE SUPREME COUNCIL DEMANDS THAT HUNS SUPPRESS ARTICLE 61

Must Put Elimination To Austrian Representation

## WILL DRAFT NOTE

Paris, Sept. 9.—The Supreme Council will draft a note to Germany demanding the suppression of article 61 of the German constitution which allows Austria representation in the German parliament.

## HOTEL MEETING AT 11 IN MAYORS OFFICE WED.

Tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock a meeting has been called in the Mayor's office to discuss the new hotel proposition. The people at large are requested to attend this meeting so to put the plans through.

## GEN. PERSHING IS GUEST AT CONVENTION OF ELKS

New York, Sept. 9.—General Pershing planned to review the Boy Scouts today in Central Park. The general will also be guest of honor at a celebration of Elks of which he is a member.

## DEMAND RETRIBUTION AT HANDS OF SENATE

Chicago, Sept. 9.—James McGill, father of Herbert McGill, who was killed by bandits, appealed to the Senate Foreign Committee to bring his son's murderers to justice.

## MINE WORKERS MEET AT CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 9.—The United Mine Workers convention opened with speeches by Mayor Harry L. Davis and John M. Owens, secretary of the Cleveland Federation of Labor. Two thousand delegates were present. Nationalization of mines and the ratification of the Peace Treaty and League of Nations are to be discussed.

## BRITISHERS INSPECT P-31 'MYSTERY SHIP'

Two Days Inspection At Close Range on the Thames

## SPEED OF 24 KNOTS

London, Sept. 9.—Thousands of persons waited in line for hours to get a close-up peep, at the P-31, a British anti-submarine "mystery" ship which was moored off Queen Victoria Embankment for a two days' public inspection at the close of the official Peace celebrations. The P-31 was the first of the "hush" craft the public was permitted to see at close range.

The "P-31" is 244 feet long, with narrow beam, seven-foot and equipped with independent engines fore and aft, that can speed her through heavy seas at twenty-three knots an hour. Built high forward and low at the stern the vessel has somewhat the appearance of a submarine—an effect that her designers intended.

"Fritz sometimes would think she was a 'sub' and would open fire on her—but when she slewed around in her own length and got into action, Heinie was sorry he had spoken," said a sailor who had been through eight engagements on the fighter. There had been other brushes with enemy craft, he explained, adding, "but unless you can bring home a bit of the corpse, the Admiralty say, 'Not Proven.' It's no use to tell them about the 'oil and bubbles' they're no proof because Fritz used to release oil and bubbles to make us waste ammunition."

## G. A. R. TO DISCUSS COMBINING SOCIETIES

Columbus, Sept. 9.—Plans for the combining of all soldier societies and auxiliaries will be discussed at the G. A. R. encampment.

## EXPLOSION IN NEW YORK EXTENDS FOR HALF MILE

New York, Sept. 9.—A series of explosions in the vicinity of Forty-Second Street and Third Avenue, and extending for a distance of half a mile, shattered hundreds of windows.

## ALL LABOR CONFLICTS SETTLED IN SPAIN

Barcelona, Sept. 9.—All labor conflicts have been settled, the employers and workers signing a manifesto calling for the immediate resumption of work.

## STRIKERS AND POLICE IN FIERCE BATTLE

Hammond, Ind., Sept. 9.—Five strikers were killed and fifteen wounded in a battle between a

## DRAFTED MEN TO COME HOME NOW IN GERMANY

Are Replaced By Contingents Now On the Seas

## NOTIFIED BY HARRIS

Washington, Sept. 9.—Drafted men in the six companies of the Second Pioneer Infantry now in Germany who desire to come home will be returned to the United States, within a few weeks. Adjutant-General Harris has notified Congressman Caldwell, of New York.

The recent announcement that the pioneer units would be kept in Europe was explained to mean that the identity of the six companies in that regiment would be retained, but that drafted men in the companies who make known a desire to be returned to this country will be replaced by troops sent from the United States. One contingent of replacements already is on the seas en route to Coblenz.

## 35,000 MINERS OUT IN SCRANTON DISTRICT

Scranton, Sept. 9.—Fourteen thousand miners have struck, making a total of thirty-five thousand men out in those districts.

## REDS CLAIM CAPTURE OF PETROPLOVSK

London, Sept. 9.—The occupation of Petropavlovsk, one hundred and seventy-five miles west of Omsk, by the Bolsheviks is claimed in a Russian Soviet official statement.

## KARL RENNER ARRIVES TO SIGN THE TREATY

Paris, Sept. 9.—Dr. Karl Renner, head of the Austrian Peace Delegation, who is to sign the Peace Treaty tomorrow, arrived here.

## GUNNERS & SHERIFFS GUARD KNOXVILLE JAIL

Knoxville, Sept. 9.—Machine gunners and deputy sheriffs are guarding the jail to prevent the release of fifty prisoners held on charges growing out of the rioting when an unsuccessful attempt was made to get Maurice Mays, a negro accused of murdering a white woman.

## COTTON MARKET.

Cotton 2:40 o'clock.

October	28.60
December	28.90
January	28.78
March	29.00
May	29.35

thousand former employes of the Standard Steel Car Company and the police.

## SENATE LEAGUE OPPONENTS REACHING FOR COMPROMISE

Reservationists Are Being Used To Effect a Compromise Between the Two Factions

## WILSON FOR HIS TEMPER

Washington, Sept. 9.—Continued conferences of Senate leaders today indicated further efforts at compromise in the Peace Treaty controversy.

Mild clause reservationists used their position as a basis for compromise between senators opposed to the treaty and those willing to vote for it.

## MASS MEETING FAVORS TOWN COMMISSIONERS INCREASING THE PLANT

Purpose Is To Double Capacity of Present Power Plant

## WILL COST \$47,000

At a called mass meeting at which attended probably not more than fifteen citizens, although the entire citizenship was invited, the consensus of opinion was that the town commissioners had the power to make the improvement and issue bonds for same and finally a rising vote of those present favored the plant being increased.

The mayor opened the proceedings with an explanation of the overload now being carried by the local power plant and he was followed by Mr. C. P. McCluer of Tarboro, a civil engineer and a member of the town council of Tarboro, who stated he was satisfied the plant was overloaded and that the proposed new equipment was a duplicate of that in operation in Tarboro.

Messrs. A. McDowell, A. Paul Kitchin, J. P. Futrell, Stuart Smith, Ray Boyette and W. H. White made remarks after which a vote was taken and the meeting adjourned.

## COTTON RAISERS LOSE \$35,000,000 ANNUALLY

Washington, Sept. 9.—Southern cotton raisers are losing thirty million dollars annually from weather damage to bales left in the open, the Department of Agriculture announced.

## 1,000 ARMED MEN SURROUND SWAMPS

Athens, Sept. 9.—A thousand armed men are surrounding the swamps where Abe Cox, accused of murdering a farmer's wife, is hiding. The victim was killed with a garden hoe.

## SUB-COMMITTEE PROBE THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Washington, Sept. 9.—The senate sub-committee investigating the Mexican situation continues hearings today when Dr. Samuel Grinnan, official of the Free Nations Association, will testify.

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Washington, Sept. 9.—Senate opponents of the treaty are not disturbed, it is said, by President Wilson's exhortation of them. They see in the president's loss of temper the loss of his fight.

What angers the president most, it is believed, is the secession of southern democrats from his cause. Three have come out against ratification without reservations since the president's departure and more are wavering.

## PRES. WILSON GREETED BY GOV. BURNQUIST

St. Paul, Sept. 9.—President Wilson arrived here and was greeted by Governor Burnquist and the mayors of the twin cities.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 9.—President Wilson, in addressing the Minnesota legislature said that the cost of living was due to a world situation, growing out of sacrifices and the waste of the war. In addition to that, he said, the world was not going to settle down until it learns what part the United States will play in the peace of the world for this nation is the only one which would have enough capital to rehabilitate the world economically.

## VIRGINIA MARKET OPEN; PRICES EXTREMELY HIGH

Danville, Sept. 9.—The tobacco market opened with medium grades selling at fifty-five dollars per hundred pounds.

## REDS PROPOSE PEACE TO THE LITHUANIANS

Paris, Sept. 9.—The Bolsheviks have proposed peace to the Lithuanians, according to Polish reports.

## STORM WARNINGS OFF THE FLORIDA COAST

Washington, Sept. 9.—The Weather Bureau continued warnings of a storm south of the Florida coast.