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## COTTON ASSOCIATION HOLDS RALLY MEETING

DOZENS OF LOCAL AND VICINITY CITIZENS ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSE THE ASSOCIATION.

### NEXT WEEK AND THE JOINING WEEK

A very representative crowd of farmers, bankers, professional men and merchants met at noon today in the Dixie Theatre to plan the work for next week's membership campaign, which will sweep Halifax county from one end to the other.

The benefits accruing from the cotton association were too well understood by such men as F. P. Woods, Pierce, Schlichter, Bowyer, Sherrod Johnson, L. J. Baker, Ashby Dunn, A. P. Kitchin, Stuart Smith, S. A. Dunn, Rev. M. Y. Self and Dr. Charles Anderson that it is needless to quote their speeches, but it is certain that this section of the country, at least, recognizes that organization is an essential thing for the farmer. It has been for every other industry.

When the membership committee calls upon every farmer the coming week it is for the purpose of making Halifax county an unit in this organization, so that the result may redound to the benefit of the farmer himself and family, his church, his school, his roads and the entire well-being of the community, to the end that there may never again be said "poor farmer."

Following the meeting at the chamber luncheon was served at the Mayor's office to those who were to bear the burden in carrying this end of the county over the next weeks.

It appears there will be no less in the work that is to be accomplished and furthermore a general belief that there are no farmers in this end of the county who can say, after the "other trades"—there will be no American Cotton Association of them, the most powerful and useful organization ever known into being.

## BRITISHERS BUY MEXICAN RANCH

Nov. 4.—Brigadier A. C. C. C. is going to a chosen party of fifty British officers to settle on a new ranch about 400 miles north of Mexico City. He says the coming campaign will be the world's.

Regarding the reported opposition to his colonization scheme British and American governments he said:

"I am not going to stir up any party with me, but I will give the lady a chance to get enough grit in her to make good, and I want both my father and her are coming out with fifty Englishmen in the world we can be very happy."

## GENERAL STRIKE CALLED MONDAY IN MIAMI, FLA.

The Employment of Nonunion Labor Was the Cause.

AFFECT ALL PLANTS.

Miami, Fla., Nov. 4.—A general strike of all labor unions in Miami has been called for Monday on account of the employment of non-union labor in the construction of a hotel.

If the strike is effective the electric light, water and gas plants will be included among the industries tied up.

## FRENCH SMOKERS LIKE OWN BRAND

Paris, Nov. 4.—The opinion of the average French smoker is that the government will not readily dispose of the billion packages of American cigarettes and enormous quantity of smoking tobacco bought of the American Expeditionary Force.

He admits that both cigarettes and tobacco are prepared with greater finish, that the quality may be finer, but he has the habit of the old French brand of tobacco which is coarser, stronger and produces a far more disagreeable odor, and he wants no other.

## CHILI GRANTS PACIFIC OUTLET

Washington, Nov. 4.—Chili has given Bolivar an outlet to the Pacific by ceding a strip of land north of Africa province, according to official advices received here.

## FIVE STATES ELECT CHIEFS

New York, Nov. 4.—Electors in five states went to the polls today to ballot for governors, while the election of lesser officials and decisions on constitutional questions faced the voters of several other states.

Governors are being elected in Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi and New Jersey.

## FRANCE OFFERS FIUME SOLUTION

Makes a New Proposal to the United States Government.

BRITAIN AGREES.

Paris, Nov. 4.—France has taken the initiative in presenting to the Washington government a new proposal for the settlement of the Fiume question, according to the Echo de Paris.

The newspaper says the move has the support of Great Britain.

## COUNCIL MEETS HUN COMMISSION

Paris, Nov. 4.—November 10 has been fixed by the Supreme Council as the date when the Plebiscite Commission, created under the German Peace treaty, meets in Paris to discuss the elections in various areas, the political affiliations of which are to be settled by popular vote.

Holland has been advised by the council, adheres to the decision, previously reached, not to recognize Dutch ownership of German ships purchased by Holland after the opening of the war.

## ERECT STATUE ON MONT BLANC

Berne, Nov. 4.—An unusual religious ceremony was performed in the shadow of Mount Blanc. The Abbe Coutin, accompanied by five Chamonix guides, carried to the top of Charlet Peak, an altitude of 12,240 feet, an aluminum statue four feet high and weighing thirty pounds. The summit of the peak was reached after a seven hour climb; the Chamonix aiguille is one of the most difficult peaks of the Mont Blanc range to ascend.

The Abbe blessed the statue after it was erected and pronounced a short oration. The statue is of the guide Charlet, after whom the peak is named and who was the first to conquer it in 1879. Charlet is now 82 years of age.

Speak gently of your neighbor in adversity. You may want to borrow a dollar from him some day.

## PROLETARIAT IS VERY COSTLY

Budapest, Nov. 4.—The dictatorship of the proletariat cost Hungary 13,675,000,000 kronen according to a statement published here. The Red Army alone cost 2,660,000,000 kronen. One hundred and fifty million kronen were spent on foreign propaganda, and a similar sum is said to have been lost through frauds.

The normal mind grasps readily the bright things of life, while the dullard converts sunshine into gloom.

## FRENCH EXPRESS WRECKED AT SENS

Run Into by Geneva Train While at a Standstill.

SEVERAL WERE KILLED

Paris, Nov. 4.—The Simplon express, while at a standstill near Sens, about sixty miles from Paris, was run into by a German train last night.

Several persons were killed and a number injured.

## SOVIET CLAIMS FRESH VICTORY

London, Nov. 4.—The claim that the northwestern Russian army under General Yudenitch, which had been attacking Petrograd, has been surrounded by the Bolshevik, was made in a Soviet government wireless from Moscow today.

## BRITISH DRUNKS SHOW DECREASE

London, Nov. 4.—In the last year of the war there was a remarkable falling off in this country of convictions for drunkenness from pre-war totals. Official figures, which show a decrease of 84.6 per cent, follow: 1913, 188,877; 1918, 29,075. The statistics given are confined to England and Wales. The greatest falling off of drunkenness, amounting to almost 90 per cent, was in the great mining and manufacturing districts of the English Midlands, and in the thickly settled coal-mining areas of Wales.

## CABINET MTG IS POSTPONED

Washington, Nov. 4.—With several members of the cabinet at home today to vote the cabinet did not hold its regular Tuesday meeting.

It is however expected to assemble later in the week and discuss the coal strike and the appointment of a commission on industrial unrest.

The house also is not in session, it having recessed so that members from states where elections are being held might return home. The Senate however continued its discussion of the Peace Treaty.

## WOMEN FIGHT AT YOUNGSTOWN

Youngstown, O., Nov. 4.—Bricks and stones flew while deputies fought with enraged women when a crowd of one hundred and fifty women attempted this morning to prevent workers from entering a steel plant here.

Five men and four women were arrested for rioting. None were seriously injured.

## OPTIMISM IS FELT OVER COAL STRIKE

MEN FEEL THEY SHOULD HAVE HAD VOICE IN CALLING STRIKE—MANY JOINING THE NON UNION MINERS.

## UNION LEADERS ARE STILL SILENT

Washington, Nov. 4.—A special presidential commission to attempt arbitration of the coal strike is proposed in a resolution introduced today by Chairman Kenyon, of the Labor Committee.

Washington, Nov. 4.—Efforts to reach a basis for a possible settlement of the coal strike were made today at a conference here between Fuel Administrator Garfield and J. A. Morrow, president of the National Coal Association.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 4.—The beginning of the second day of the coal strike found government officials and coal mine operators optimistic.

Additional federal and state troops have been sent into the various coal fields it is reported. Thousands of cars of fuel in transit have been seized by the railroad administration.

Officials of the Miners Union remained silent under the federal injunction issued in Indianapolis last week.

Scattered reports from the fields, reaching into 28 states, showed the first breaks in the ranks of organized labor in West Virginia and Colorado. Advices from Washington headquarters of the operators said that all non-union mines were working to full capacity and turning out considerably more coal than on Saturday. Some of the operators' reports said that union men had gone to work in non-union mines and that there was growing sentiment that the men themselves should have had the right to vote on the strike before it was ordered.

Pittsburg, Nov. 4.—Some coal producers in the Pittsburg district today expressed the opinion that the coal miners strike would be a long-drawn-out affair.

Union leaders said that there was no change in the situation; that all union miners are out and indications are that additional unorganized miners will join the strikers ranks.

Brownsville, Pa., Nov. 4.—United States troops entered Pennsylvania on strike duty today when a company of infantry arrived from Buffalo.

Arrangements had been made to scatter them throughout the district.

Brownsville is on the edge of the non-union mine country.

## SYRIA DEMANDS INDEPENDENCE

London, England, Nov. 4.—Nothing less than complete independence will satisfy the aspirations of the people of Syria, according to Habib Lotfallah Bey, chief representative in Europe of the Syrian Union Committee. Lotfallah Bey has been conferring in London with Prince Faisal, son of the King of the Hedjaz, and with British officials regarding the political future of his country. He told The Associated Press he was confident that the scheme his organization has drawn up for the union of Palestine, Syria and Mesopotamia ultimately would be accepted by the British and French governments as the best solution of the vexed Syrian question.

## SEN. MARTIN IS SOMEWHAT IMPROVED

Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 4.—Senator Martin's condition is somewhat improved this morning. He spent a quiet night and was able to take nourishment this morning.