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WHITE'S MILL POND TO BE DAMMED

There will be a meeting on the 24th of July, which is next Monday, at five o'clock at the Mayor's office for the purpose of organizing an association to build a dam at White's Mill pond in order to provide a real fishing pond for those interested in that pastime.

Every man who loves the rod and reel is requested to be at this meeting and help build a fish pond which will be a pleasure to those who really love fishing.

Those sponsoring the movement are: N. B. Josey, J. A. Kitchin, W. H. White, G. S. White, S. A. Dunn and Ashby Dunn.

WARS AFTERMATH BRINGS PROSPERITY TO PALESTINE

(By Associated Press) Jerusalem, July 21.—No one who knew the Holy Land in the days of the Turkish regime can fail to note the great changes that have taken place throughout the country since the close of the war.

The Turkish army stripped Palestine of its animals to such a degree that when the American Red Cross arrived in June of 1918 there were many villages without a single ploughing animal, and neither sheep nor goats were seen on the hillsides. To day it is not uncommon for an automobile to come to a standstill on the principal streets of Jerusalem to allow a flock of hundreds of sheep and goats to pass by, and out in the country the grey hillsides are covered with thousands of these animals. Italy gets a large amount of her glove material from the kids of Palestine.

Whereas much still remains to be done, a great improvement already has been made in the character of the work animals. The army left behind it tens of thousands of horses, mules and donkeys, but even better than this the natives seem to have learned valuable lessons in the care and feeding of stock, so that today the horses of the public carriages in Jerusalem are far sleeker and finer than ever they were before the war.

Farm produce of all kinds brings a much better price than formerly; hence the villagers are prosperous and indulge in luxuries undreamed of in pre-war days. The markets of Jerusalem were never before supplied with such a wealth and variety of delectable articles, and vendors of lemonade and ice-cream do a thriving business. In the dry-goods, clothing and shoe stores the most fastidious can find French and English, and to a lesser degree American goods, for which they did not even look in pre-war days.

It is interesting to note the changes in the villagers. Formerly they nearly all walked to Jerusalem, even from a distance that took them four and five hours. Now public automobiles run out into the country for 10 miles and have largely monopolized transportation. The charge for a ride is 50 cents, formerly the price of a day's work. The roads are now almost deserted by pedestrians, but American motor cars pass frequently. The need of hand ink-horn of the educated villager has been scrapped by the modern American self-filling fountain pen.

Wages for skilled and unskilled labor have risen several hundred percent, and good mechanics now demand five dollars a day. The hours of labor used to be from sun-rise till sun-rest, but by the organization of labor unions they now have in Jaffa an eight-hour day. Lack of organ-

The Rail Strike Bears Appearance Of Finish Fight

BOYETTE-SHIELDS CO. OPEN 5 AND 10 CENT DEPARTMENT

Boyette-Shields Company, enterprising merchants of SCOTLAND NECK have opened a 5 and 10c department beginning today, and the large assortment of articles usually found in exclusive 5 and 10c stores are found there.

This will make quite an additional attraction to SCOTLAND NECK as a trading centre. These gentlemen state that they will carry a complete line at all times of such things as are generally found in regular stores of this character in addition to their large stock of dry goods, ready-to-wear, gent's furnishing, and general merchandise, making of this a regular, modern department store where practically anything can be purchased from a needle to a tractor.

DETROIT PAPER BRINGS TWO MILLIONS

(By Associated Press) Detroit, Mich., July 21.—The purchase of the Detroit Journal by the Detroit News was announced by both papers today. Both are in the afternoon field and will be merged immediately, the Journal ceasing publication today. The total purchase price was in excess of two millions, it was announced.

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE FAILS TO OBTAIN BASIS OF SETTLEMENT OF RAIL STRIKE FROM THE RAILWAY EXECUTIVES

(By Associated Press) Washington, July 21.—The President was advised today by Chairman Cummins and Senators Watson and Kellogg, of the Interstate Commerce Committee, of unavailable efforts made by them in conference with several leading railway executives last night to obtain a basis for a settlement of the railroad strike. The senators declined to discuss their reports prior to presentation to the President.

On leaving the White House they said that they had merely made a report and that future conferences "probably" would be held.

ization throughout the country is the only thing that retards the change in other places. The quality of workmanship has not kept pace with the rise in prices, and whereas in carpentry there are found some excellent mechanics, most of the trades are carried on by very mediocre artisans.

A prominent educated Syrian Christian recently expressed the view that the Zionist movement was a good thing for the Syrians as it would prove a spur to greater effort and improvement.

(By Associated Press) Chicago, Ill., July 21.—The strike of the railway shopmen today bore an increasing external appearance of a finish fight between union men and rail heads, and specifically turned as to what might be the next step of the Federal Government to keep up transportation.

FRANCE CLAIMS TO LEAD WORLD IN LOWER ARMY COSTS

(By Associated Press) Paris, July 21.—France "in spite of the heavy burdens which the care of ensuring her safety and of fulfilling her international obligations has imposed," is leading the world in the proportionate reduction of military expenditures, according to an official memorandum respecting the military budgets of 11 leading countries, compiled by the French government and submitted to The Associated Press.

Italy, with an increase of 390 percent, in her war budget over the year 1913-14, stands far ahead on the list, the memorandum points out, while France, with an increase of but 52 percent is at the bottom. Other countries, the compilation shows, range in the following order:

Japan, 290 percent, Spain, 275 percent, Norway, 195 percent, United States 174 percent, Sweden, 157 percent, Holland, 133 percent, Denmark, 125 percent and Switzerland, 73 percent.

Elaborating upon the French reduction, the memorandum adds that in 1913 the military branch absorbed fully one-third of the general budget, or 1,657,574,736 francs from a total of 5,066,000,000. In 1922, with the military expenditures increased by various international obligations such as the maintenance of troops on the Rhine and elsewhere, the defence arm required but one-fifth of the general appropriations, or 5,056,000,000 francs from a total of approximately 25,000,000,000 for the entire government.

The military expenditures of the five great powers, based on a gold franc standard, are set forth in the memorandum as follows:

United States, 6,100,000,000; Great Britain, 4,300,000,000; Japan, 1,900,000,000; France, 1,623,000,000; Italy, 970,000,000.

COTTON MARKET TODAY'S MARKET

July	21.98
October	21.74
December	21.90
January	21.75
March	21.71
YESTERDAY'S MARKET	
July	22.42
October	22.38
December	22.34
January	22.14
March	22.10

English Actors Will Produce Plays

(By Associated Press) London, July 21.—Dissatisfied with the returns they have received from theatrical producers and managers, a group of English actors have formed a co-operative producing company of their own. They will launch their new venture at one of London's popular playhouses with "She Stoops to Conquer" and other classical comedies. The actors will be their own managers and will finance such plays as seem good to them. A number of prominent actresses probably will be admitted to the enterprise upon equal terms with the men.

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD ON COAL STRIKE DUTY

(By Associated Press) Columbus, O., July 21.—National guardsmen were stationed today at Cadiz and Lancaster, two strategic points in the coal producing districts ready for any emergency which may arise in connection with the carrying out of the President's protection plans for the operation of the coal mines.

40 YEAR OLD QUESTION BETWEEN TWO NATIONS TO BE ARBITRATED

(By Associated Press) Washington, July 21.—In environments already rendered history by the achievements of the Arms Conference, representatives of great and small nations came together here today in the Hall of Americas in the Pan-American Union building to witness the consummation of a new example of international conciliation furnished by Chili and Peru in their agreement to arbitrate a forty year old controversy over Taena-Arica.

WHERE DID THE GUARDS GET THE PICTURES?

(By Associated Press) Berlin, July 19.—A theft of valuable paintings which occurred four years ago has been announced by the Frankfurt police issuing a proclamation to the effect that "a collection of pictures were stolen from a railway carriage of the Second Guards division enroute from Brussels to Germany November 8, 1918. Included were a portrait of the Spanish Infante by Valesquez, two works of Rubens, a Van Dyck and other old masters. A reward of 1,000,000 marks is offered for their recovery."

No explanation is given as to why the pictures were on the way from Brussels to Germany or to whom they belonged.

POLICE MAY FORCE THE TURKISH WOMEN TO DRESS ALIKE

(By Associated Press) Constantinople, July 21.—Some optimistic and determined Turks are attempting to persuade the women of the land to adopt a standard form of dress. Optimistic, because Turkish women seem no more inclined to wear a uniform than would their sisters of London, Paris and New York, and determined because the Committee de la Mode is thinking of calling upon the police for help in carrying out its plans.

"Where are the women who would consent to have imposed upon them an antique and strange costume found today only in museums?" is one of the questions hurled at the reformers. "Where is the woman who would recommend such a costume to another? Can a Turkish woman of old world Stamboul dress like a modern hanoum of aristocratic Pera? Nationalist fanaticism is an excellent thing, but only within limits?"

The committee, in answer to these and sundry other attacks, has announced darkly it is working on a scheme to put over its project, the application of which will be placed in the hands of the municipal police.

Joint Meeting Directors Chamber of Commerce And Potato Growers

RESOLUTION PASSED ORGANIZING WAREHOUSING CORPORATION WITH SAME DIRECTORATE AS GROWERS ASSOCIATION.

CAVALRYMEN AND MACHINE MEN TO PROTECT MINERS

(By Associated Press) Harrisburg, Pa., July 21.—Pennsylvania cavalrymen and machine gunners are moving into Cambria, Washington, Somerset and other counties of Southern and Western Pennsylvania today to prevent disorders when bituminous mines are reopened. The whole power of the state government is being massed behind them.

THE IRISH NATIONALISTS SHELL CITY

(By Associated Press) Cork, Ireland, July 21.—Two civilians were killed and four injured at Waterford as a result of the shelling of the city by the Nationalist forces, according to official bulletin issued by Republican Insurgent headquarters.

WEATHER REPORT

For North Carolina: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Little change in temperature. Gentle to moderate variable winds.

GERMANY WILL PAY AMERICA FOR COST OF WAR IN DYES

(By Associated Press)

Paris, July 21.—The American government would receive its quota of German dyes amounting to three millions annually as part payment for maintaining the Army on the Rhine under terms of a plan now being worked out by American government with the aid of the reparations commission.

SWEDISH PREMIER SEES DECLINE OF BOLSHIEVISM

(By Associated Press)

Stockholm, July 21.—Premier Branting of Sweden believes that a permanent peace has settled over northern Europe: that is Scandinavia, and that Bolshevism will never make any inroads in this part of the world.

"Certainly not, for, according to my opinion, the Bolsheviki have already seen their best days, and Bolshevism may definitely be said to be on the decline." Asked whether he believed in lasting peace in the North, the Premier said:

"I have reason to believe so. We have no cause here for military adventures."

The Premier doubted that the nationalist movement in the Scandinavian countries would ever give rise to an armed conflict.

A joint meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce and the Co-operative Sweet Potato Growers Association was held this morning in the director's room of the Scotland Neck Bank, with practically a full attendance.

The potato association reported that a lot had been selected and an option secured at the corner of 12th Street on east side of the railroad. They also reported that a 10,000 bushel capacity warehouse could be built for from \$3,140 to \$3,250, making the total cost of the lot and warehouse about \$4,250.00. Stoves, trucks, and other incidentals will run the total cost slightly higher than that figure, however. Farmers will be required to arrange for own packages. The agricultural agent reported that seventy acres planted will be sufficient to fill warehouse first year.

A storage warehousing corporation will be formed and will sell at least \$5,000.00 in 8 percent preferred stock, which will be retired at the rate of one-fifth each year for five years by the growers association, common stock being issued in its place to the individual members of the growers association.

The following resolution was passed: Resolved: That the Board of Directors of the SCOTLAND NECK Co-operative Sweet Potato Storage Company be instructed to apply for a charter for the organization of a co-operative warehouse corporation, and that as soon as charter is secured the said Board meet and elect themselves as directors of the warehouse corporation.

A committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions to stock in the warehousing corporation. The Directors of the Chamber of Commerce then went into executive session and instructed the Secretary to spend not over \$50.00 in additional copies of the last issue of the Eastern Carolinian, the organ of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, printed and distributed to various business houses here with request that they enclose them in all outgoing mail.

The Secretary was also instructed to prepare cuts and material for the publication of a booklet on SCOTLAND NECK and vicinity.

Mr. C. E. Littlejohn, agricultural agent, reported that he was arranging for five community fairs in the territory around SCOTLAND NECK and that the best exhibits from each would be selected for a final showing at Scotland Neck on Armistice Day. The agent also reported that he had signed up 23 farmers for his hog breeding program and that he expected to make the list at least 30. He also reported that he had found one of the finest pure-bred boars he had ever seen on the farm of Mr. Noah Whitehead, in Rosecath.

Mr. Littlejohn stated that as soon as the hog program was well under way that he would take up the development of the poultry industry and hoped to secure the cooperation of the banks in putting that program over.

Mr. N. G. Bartlett, Vice-President-Manager of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce was present and made a few remarks. He complimented SCOTLAND NECK on the wonderful cooperation shown in every undertaking and on its splendid team work. He said that he had been engaged in similar work for six years or more and had never seen a better spirit displayed anywhere than that developed here, and that if it were continued it would result in unbelievable accomplishments.