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ARCHANGLE HAS BEEN CAPTURED

AND THE ALLIED LINE AT DVINA IS GREATLY WEAKENED THEREBY. LLOYD GEORGE OF ENGLAND AND BARON NITTI OF ITALY FAVOR NEGOTIATING PEACE WITH BOLSHEVIKI.

London, Feb. 20.—The Bolsheviks have captured Archangel on the White Sea, according to a wireless dispatch to Warsaw today.

The last advice to the British office on the North Russian situation on February 18th stated that the "Red" forces were 70 miles south of Archangel.

The possession of the city by the Bolsheviks will mean a material weakening of the Dvina line.

Lloyd George Willing to Make Terms With Soviets. Paris, Feb. 20.—Premier Lloyd George is in favor of opening peace negotiations with the Russian Bolsheviks.

Wilson Able to Resume Regular Work at Desk. Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—President Wilson had improved so much.

Sart Removal of American Bodies. Washington, Feb. 19.—Bodies of American soldiers in France and in the rear army zones in France, are expected to begin arriving in this country soon.

Eugene V. Debs Placed on Presidential Ballot. Lansing, Mich., Feb. 19.—Sufficient petitions to place the name of Eugene V. Debs on the presidential preference ballot as a socialist candidate for the presidential nomination have been received at the secretary of state's office here.

Hughes Hails Hoover as Statesman-Diplomat. New York, Feb. 19.—Herbert Hoover hailed as a "financier," diplomat and statesman.

It was only the common sense and whole-hearted cooperation of the American people that have made his relief work in Europe a success.

"We are in some danger that selfishness and partisanship will overwhelm our sense of duty to the great east number."

Mexicans Release Mine Official From Custody. Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 19.—William Welch Adams, American mine superintendent, reported kidnapped in Zacatecas, Mexico, February 13, has been released.

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CHARGES MEETING WAS A CAUCUS

To Be Dictated to by Laboring Men and to Defeat Railroad Bill

MADE BY SANDERS

Washington, Feb. 20.—Union labor led by the officers of the American Federation of Labor and the Railroad Brotherhoods today had well under way their fight before Congress against the redrafted railroad organization bill.

Labor Deluge Congressmen With Petition. Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Besides the memorial prepared by representatives of fifteen railroad unions and officers of the American Federation of Labor, after an all day conference yesterday which was addressed to Congress as a whole, individual congressmen were deluged today by union leaders and laboring men generally who protested the enactment of the bill into law.

Mr. Sanders said he had received an invitation to attend a "caucus" in the house office building and found instead an assembly at which labor leaders were prepared to present their commands to the legislators.

"I charge that this meeting was called to defeat the railroad bill," he shouted, "in order to foist government ownership upon the country."

Mr. Sanders bitterly arraigned President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, for having "unjustifiably and indiscriminately insulted the present Congress."

Turning about to face the murmurs of disapprobation which had arisen at his unexpected remark, Mr. Sanders shook a belligerent finger in the air at the labor leaders as he said:

"You cannot have your own way about everything."

Immediately Representative Mead, Democrat, of New York, arose and declared:

"The man who will say this meeting was surreptitiously called is a liar."

A dozen congressmen present, including Mr. Sanders, jumped to their feet and turmoil reigned until the chairman had called the meeting to order.

Representative Mead consented to withdraw his assertion, insofar as it might have been construed to include Mr. Sanders.

Denying what he said was the implication of Representative Sanders, that the meeting of house members and labor leaders had been called as a "caucus," Mr. Gompers explained that no other convenient place could be found other than the majority caucus room in the house office building.

"As for the remarks of Mr. Sanders about the stigmas I have cast upon Congress," Mr. Gompers said "I admit I have not been over-complimentary to some members of Congress and some members of Congress have not been over-complimentary to me."

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HON. ROBERT H. RICKS DIES

One of the Wealthiest and Most Energetic Business Men in the State

THE FUNERAL TOMORROW

Rocky Mt., N. C., Feb. 19, 1920 Mr. John D. Gold, Wilson, N. C., R. H. Ricks died tonight.

THOMAS H. BATTLE. Rocky Mt., N. C., Feb. 19.—Robert Henry Ricks, publisher, philanthropist, Confederate Veteran and one of the most prominent financial and business men in northeastern North Carolina, died at 7 o'clock tonight at his home in Nash county, five miles from this city, after an illness of less than one week.

Mr. Ricks commenced suffering with blood clot on the brain several days ago, and his death had been expected momentarily for the last twenty-four hours.

Although Mr. Ricks was 81 years of age, he had ever been beset by the infirmities of old age, but remained vigorous and active in his numerous interests up until the time of his fatal sickness.

In his death Rocky Mount and the entire eastern section of North Carolina loses one of its foremost citizens and pioneer upbuilders, who in all his dealings placed the public welfare before individual gain.

The only member of his immediate family to survive the deceased man is his wife, who was before marriage in 1874, Miss Tempe Thorn of Nash county.

However numerous nieces and nephews survive in this immediate section of the State. Announcement was made tonight that the funeral will be held from the Ricks family home, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

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Joe Bailey for Governor of Texas. Gainesville, Tex., Feb. 19.—The 1920 political campaign in Texas was opened here today with the announcement of his candidacy for Governor on the Democratic ticket by former United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey.

At the same time former Congressman R. L. Henry, of Waco, in a telegram to Senator Bailey, announced his withdrawal from the gubernatorial race in Bailey's favor.

The Bailey announcement followed an address in which the former Senator denounced "progressive" the National administration, Federal prohibition and the woman suffrage amendment and expressed opposition to the League of Nations.

Mr. Bailey headed a faction of Texas Democrats which recently declared for reconstruction of the Democratic party, national and state along the "principles of Thomas Jefferson."

Miss Tyler Receives \$10,000. Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 20.—A check for \$10,000 has been sent to Bishop John Poyntz Tyler in South Dakota, as a settlement of the \$100,000 damage suit instituted by the bishop in behalf of his daughter, Miss Ada Tyler, against the Carolina Power and Light Co., for injuries to Miss Tyler in a street car accident June 9, 1919, on New Bern Avenue in this city.

In compromising the case Mr. Henry T. Hicks, voluntarily assumed part of the settlement, since his son Harry, Hicks, was driving the automobile in which the young woman was riding at the time of her injuries.

The Liner Capolona. London, Feb. 19.—The German liner Capolona, on which the former German Emperor had planned to make a trip around the world when the war was won, was allotted to a leading shipping company who gave her up after the first voyage owing to the enormous coal consuming powers of the vessel.

Since then a number of wooden plugs and other obstructions have been found in the steam pipes. The removal of these obstructions is expected to reduce the steamer's coal consumption to normal.

ADMIRAL PERRY ARCTIC EXPLORER

Is Dead at His Washington Home. Transfusion of Blood Failed

TO KEEP HIM GOING

Washington, Feb. 20.—Rear Admiral Robert Edwin Peary, retired, Arctic explorer and discoverer of the North Pole, died at his home here today from pernicious anemia, from which he suffered for several years.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed, but he will be buried with full naval honors.

Admiral Peary submitted to an operation at a local hospital several days ago. He was removed to his home and his condition was reported somewhat improved.

He gradually grew weaker, however, and the end came early this morning. The Admiral had submitted to thirty-five blood transfusions which were begun two years ago. He is now sixty-four years old, and entered the navy as a civil engineer, Oct. 26, 1881.

Cotton Market. New York, Feb. 20.—The bulk of the business on the cotton market during today's early trading was attended by further evening up over the three dead Germans and the fluctuations were irregular.

The options generally were steady at a decline of from 3 points to an advance of 18 points on covering with the late months relatively firmer on the prospect of less favorable weather in the southwest.

Prices eased off after the call under regular and selling by brokers with English connections.

Cotton futures opened steady with March 36.60, May 34.32, July 32.10, Oct. 29.85, January 29.03.

At noon the market was as follows: Jan. 28.90, March 36.68, May 34.42, July 32.20, Oct. 29.20, Dec. 29.40.

Spots, Wilson market, middling basis, 37 1-2 cents. The market closed at 3 p. m. as follows: Mar. 36.52, May 34.34, July 32.12, Oct. 29.93.

STOCKS. New York, Feb. 20.—Prominent railroad shares were lower by fraction to 1 1-2 points at the opening of today's stock market, probably as the result of the opposition manifested in labor circles to certain features of the railroad bills.

In many cases, however, the list was higher, Canadian Pacific, Mexican Petroleum, General Motors and the Copper shares recording substantial gains.

Roper Decides on Several Changes in North Carolina. Washington, Feb. 19.—As a net result of the riot at which Senators Simmons and Overman on Monday read to Internal Revenue Commissioner Roper, the following changes in the workings of the revenue department in North Carolina were officially announced today:

First—North Carolina was taken out of the Richmond enforcement district and placed in an entirely new district with South Carolina and Tennessee.

Second—Sheriff Manly McDowell of Morganton, is appointed revenue agent in charge of North Carolina with headquarters in Greensboro.

Third—Sheriff C. H. Haynes is appointed chief field officer of North Carolina and will have headquarters at Statesville.

THE POSITION OF AMERICA

WHILE SENATE IS PREPARING

To Clip Power of Shipping Board Its Attorney Petitions Court to Compel

HEARST TO GIVE BOND

Washington, Feb. 20.—The Senate Commerce Committee today ordered a favorable report on the James bill prohibiting the sale of thirty former German passenger vessels by Congress.

While the committee was considering this question attorneys for the Shipping Board appeared before Associate Justice Bailey in the Supreme Court to urge that William Randolph Hearst who secured the restraining order against the sale of the ships be placed under a \$5,000,000 bond to cover possible losses to the government as the result of holding up the sale of the ships by legal procedure.

Justice Bailey said that he would prepare the bond by tomorrow.

Compulsory Military Service Approved. Washington, Feb. 20.—The principle of universal military service as a part of the military policy of the nation was approved today by the House Military Committee by a vote of eleven to nine.

Mrs. Russell Bryant Dead. Mrs. Russell Bryant of Benson died yesterday and within a few hours her sister-in-law, Miss Daisy Bryant also passed away.

The latter will be buried here tomorrow in accordance with a notice elsewhere in this paper.

Gaston Rapidly Becoming Cotton Mill Center. Gastonia, Feb. 20.—(Special)—Leadership in the South in the textile industry swings from the south Carolina over the boundary to North Carolina, Gaston county showing Spartanburg county out of the place as the fifth county in America and also pushing Hillsboro county, New Hampshire out of the way, taking fourth place in America and for that matter in the world outside the spinning districts of England.

That this is true was first learned today with the advance announcement by the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce of the total spindles in Gaston county as shown by an industrial survey. Gaston has 1,022,696 spindles and isn't far behind Middlesex county, Mass., for third place.

Gaston has ninety mills of which forty-one are located in Gastonia. New mills now under construction total over nine million dollars.

Bristol county, Mass., with over 7,500,000 spindles ranks first and Providence county, Rhode Island, with 1,750,000 spindles comes second.

With The Sick. Miss Janie Penick is down with the flu.

Mr. E. G. Rawlings is now out of danger and the crisis in his case is passed.

Dr. L. J. Foster of Bailey, reported eleven cases today.

Dr. Mitchell reported one case of flu and one case of pneumonia.

Dr. Grady reports ten cases of flu and four cases of pneumonia.

ON THE ADRIATIC QUESTION HAS BEEN MADE VERY CLEAR BY PRESIDENT WILSON IN HIS ANSWER TO THE ALLIED COUNCIL AND THERE IS NOT MUCH ROOM FOR ARGUMENT.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The position of the American government on the Adriatic settlement has been made so plain the reply of President Wilson to the allied note administration officials believe has relieved the necessity of further argument on the subject and that the incident is practically closed as far as America is concerned.

It was said today, however, that this did not mean that the door to further exchanges had been shut by this country and that further communications might be expected.

Belgium and French Witnesses Will Not Have to go to Germany. London, Feb. 20.—The German government is rushing preparations to try those Germans accused of violations of the laws and the examination of witnesses and arguments will begin next week, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Central News Agency.

Pleadings will open before the Supreme Court at Leipzig next week.

Witnesses from Great Britain, Belgium and France will not be compelled to go to Germany to testify in the trials against military offenders, but their depositions will be taken by commissioners sent to secure testimony, according to dispatches through the Exchange Telegraph Company from Berlin.

Mexicans Release American. New York, Feb. 20.—Welsh Adams an American mine superintendent has been released by the bandits who kidnapped him for a ransom in Mexico and he has safely arrived at Saultillo, according to a telegram received by the American Metal Co., Limited, his employers. No details as to whether the ransom was paid are given in the telegrams.

MAYOR'S COURT. Roy Williams was charged \$9.25 for disorderly conduct.

Robert Perry was charged \$14.25 for securing bicycle tires under false pretenses from Charlie Phillips.

Haywood Knight, alias "Bewe," was sent up for thirty days on the public road Knight had been trying to sell lard and other provisions which it is believed were taken from railroad cars that have been broken into at this place.

One car containing lard and provisions was broken into Sunday night on the Coast Line tracks here, while the Norfolk and Southern lost goods from another Monday night. There was no clue to the guilty parties, but the fact that the negro never works, and that he was trying to sell provisions which merchants were afraid to touch believing the goods were stolen directed the attention to Knight, who was sent up for vagrancy and as an undesirable citizen.

Henry Barnes was charged \$19.25 for disorderly conduct.

Henry Boyette was up for having no lights on the College Dairy truck, and his case was dismissed on the ground that he was trying to get to a garage where he could have them attended to. He was warned, however, to be very careful with them in the future.

Will Vines was charged \$9.25 for taking a shaving mug from the back porch of Mr. J. M. Adkins while the little negro went there to deliver groceries.

Typhus Raging in Galicia. London, Feb. 20.—Typhus is raging in epidemic form in Eastern Galicia according to a wireless dispatch received from Smolensk. It is said in some regions the population of whole villages have been annihilated.