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ARMS CONFERENCE WINDING UP WORK

Shantung Question Seems About Disposed of; Also Naval Limitation

Washington, Jan. 4.—After a five-day New Year's breathing space, the arms negotiations were resumed today with an impetus that swept some of the most troublesome problems of the conference almost to the point of decision.

Uppermost among the separate discussions which appeared tonight to be approaching a conclusion was the controversy between the Japanese and Chinese over Shantung. It was indicated that the conversations might end tomorrow, one way or the other, and that the predominating belief was that the result would be an agreement rather than a final deadlock.

A final agreement also was in sight on the question of a revived Chinese tariff. After a long argument the tariff sub-committee came together on a proposal to increase China's tariff schedules under an international committee plan, and the Far Eastern committee of the whole is expected to ratify the decision tomorrow.

Among the naval experts so much made with technical details of the naval limitation plan that in some quarters it was declared final disposition of the subject was only a question of hours. Precise regulations for scrapping ships and details of replacement were numbered among the day's agreements in the naval sub-committee.

On the question of submarine regulations, which has waited on further advice from the foreign capitals, Japan contributed another step toward decision by accepting in principle the Root resolutions proposing to outlaw the use of submarines against merchant vessels and to make violations of submarine regulations acts of piracy. Italy alone remains to accept the propositions and a discussion by the full naval committee may take place late tomorrow.

At tomorrow's meeting of the Far Eastern committee, however, new troubles may be encountered through China's request that the famous "twenty-one demands" be brought up for conference discussion. A protest was lodged by Japan just before the last meeting of the committee adjourned, and what promises to be a stubborn debate is expected by some delegates before the point is decided.

In some quarters, also, considerable discussion is believed likely before there is a definite decision on the Root submarine proposals.

France has indicated a desire to see some of the terms of the resolution fully discussed and clearly defined and although the French said tonight they did not propose to press the point, it was indicated that some troublesome points probably will be injected into the conversations sooner or later by some one of the foreign powers.

Meantime, the American advisory committee met and canvassed opinion on the submarine question with the result that the committees' previous position for retention of underwater war craft within strict regulations was reaffirmed. Members said a survey of editorial comment and public opinion generally convinced them that the American people strongly desire that submarine operations be brought within the considerations of human warfare.—Associated Press.

Sisters Crushed to Death.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 2.—A large motor truck, without a driver, ran wild through the business district today, killing Misses Margaret and Sarah McDonald, school teachers and sisters. While the truck driver was in a hotel boys released the brakes and the cumbersome vehicle rolled down a steep hill into Exchange Place, causing traffic to scatter in all directions. The teachers were crossing the square and failed to hear the warning shouts. Both were crushed under the wheels while hundreds looked on, powerless to save them.

PROVIDENCE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Hector Creech, of Elevation were in this section one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lassiter were in Smithfield one day last week.

Messrs Edwin Coates of the Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va. who is spending the holidays in this section and Irwin Lee, were in Angier one night last week.

We are sorry to lose one of our best neighbors who is moving his family near Coates. Everyone in this section are sorry to see them leave but wish them great success in their new home.

Miss Tera Godwin, primary teacher at Pleasant Grove school, who has been spending the holidays with relatives and friends near Dunn has returned, the school having opened Monday.

Messrs Ruffie Penny, of Benson and Joe Penny, of Coates, spent Saturday in this section hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wood spent part of last week near Angier at the home of Mrs. Wood's parents.

Mr. S. H. Starling recently killed some very nice pigs. He killed four thirteen months old, which weighed a total of 1875 pounds. His largest weighed 453 pounds.

Miss Claudia Lee Stephenson who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Stephenson, returned to Buie's Creek Academy Monday.

Mr. Edwin Coates has returned to school in Richmond, Va., after spending the holidays with relatives.

Mr. Irvin Ogburn went to Smithfield Monday.

Mr. Walter Dixon who spent the holidays in this section has returned to his studies at Buie's Creek Academy.

Messrs E. S. and John Coates were in Four Oaks Monday.

Mr. Herbert Stephenson of Willow Springs was in this section Sunday afternoon.

Messrs Mack Gardner and Carl Gregory of Angier were in this section Sunday.

Mr. Claud Stephenson went to Buie's Creek Monday.

Miss Pearl Stephenson, who has held a position with Spiers Bros., at Smithfield for the past few months, has accepted a position as primary teacher of Piney Grove school. We are all glad to have Miss Pearl back in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Ogburn, of Smithfield were in this section Sunday.

Mr. Irwin Lee went to Raleigh and Smithfield Monday.

Mr. Simon Penny, of near Garner, was in this section Tuesday.

We are expecting to have a box party at Pleasant Grove school Friday night, January 13. There will be other amusements. Everybody is cordially invited to attend. Girls bring boxes and boys plenty of money. Program will start strictly at 7:30 o'clock. Mr Irvin Lee has recently purchased a new Ford roadster.

We are expecting to celebrate Rally Day at Providence Presbyterian church next Sunday morning. Services will begin at 10:30 o'clock. Everybody is invited.

Remember the Baptist Sunday School at Pleasant Grove Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

BIG MACK.

Angier, R. F. D. Jan. 3.

MR. R. F. BEASLEY TO START MORNING DAILY AT GOLDSBORO

Roland F. Beasley, former State welfare commissioner, is to be the editor of a new daily that will be published in Goldsboro. The new paper will make its appearance about February 1st.

R. E. Powel, formerly connected with the News and Observer and later Raleigh correspondent for a number of State dailies, will be managing editor and John R. Beasley, editor of the Monroe Journal, will be business manager.

The new paper will be known as the Goldsboro Morning News and according to an unofficial announcement will be "strictly independent in politics."

Mr. Powell, who has been in Monroe for several days, will go to Goldsboro Thursday to make ready for the launching of the new enterprise. He will be joined next week by John R. Beasley. Roland F. Beasley will go later.—News and Observer.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING INTEREST

Sales of Seals Success; Mrs. Hooks Reports District Meeting at Mebane

Sixty-two dollars and eighty-nine cents was the amount raised here during the holidays from the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals, according to the report of Mrs. F. H. Brooks who had the matter in charge, at the regular business meeting of the Woman's Club Monday afternoon. Of this amount \$48.16 will be kept at home for local tuberculosis work, and \$15.73 will be sent to the N. C. Tuberculosis Association to help in state work. The committee who had charge of the seals wish to thank all those who cooperated in anyway in putting on the sale.

The other reports of the various activities of the Woman's club show the work undertaken by this organization to be making splendid progress and new plans were laid for future effort.

Those present were delighted with the report from the District Federation meeting recently held at Mebane, made by the president, Mrs. Thel Hooks, who represented the Smithfield club at that meeting. She brought back enthusiasm for enlarged service.

After Mrs. Hooks' talk, it was decided to amend the constitution by creating a social service department. The club has already been doing social service work, and in order to have it reported through the proper channels, this change was made. There will be no extra meeting, and the membership of this department will include the entire membership of the club. A chairman will be chosen at the next meeting.

Another item of interest was the raising of the dues from 60 cents per year per member to \$1.00 per year, in order to meet the increased Federation dues from this club. The membership fee of this club has always been comparatively small, and the change met with no opposition.

Diphtheria Can Be Prevented.

During September, October and November there were 3,379 cases of diphtheria reported to the State Board of Health. The number reported for the entire year of 1920 was 3,432. Inasmuch as so many of those people who have had diphtheria will carry the germs in their nose and throat for a considerable time, I feel that it is my duty to urge all parents to avail themselves of the protection for their children above six months afforded by the use of toxin-antitoxin.

About one per cent of the people in this county are diphtheria carriers. It is this group that spread the disease. This is done by the carriers carelessly coughing or sneezing in the faces of those near them, or by contaminating articles which they handle, and thereby passing on infection to the unprotected. Children especially are exposed through the exchange of pencils, chewing gum, fruit, food, or the use of the common drinking cup.

When we come to think of it, it is a wonder that we do not have more sickness than we do, inasmuch as there is so great an exchange of spit from one person to another.

The diphtheria season will last for several months yet, so it is hoped that those who have not given their children three treatments of toxin-antitoxin will do so. Remember that these treatments completely protect about 90 per cent of the children, but this protection does not come until three to six months after the injections have been given. If any people in this county desire to ask any questions about toxin-antitoxin, I will be very glad to answer them.

Yours very truly,
THEL HOOKS, Quarantine Officer.

American Steamer Sinks.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 29.—The American three-mastered schooner Lorence Harvey, 303 tons from Mobile for Santiago, Cuba, with a cargo of lumber sank off Fort Morgan during a northwest gale. The crew was saved.

Mr. E. F. Massey of Zebulon is the new manager of the Ward-Earp Co.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY AT WHITE HOUSE

First Function of Kind In 9 Years Draws A Throng Despite Biting Cold

Washington, D. C., Jan. 2.—President Harding threw the White House doors open to the public today for the first New Year's reception in nine years. The number responding to the general invitation was officially estimated at 6,500, many of whom stood for hours in a bitter wind and in a slowly-moving column of fours, which extended for blocks from the Pennsylvania avenue porticoes.

The President and Mrs. Harding met and shook hands with all, a physical feat of no mean magnitude, and one from which they showed more than a few signs of strains at 4 o'clock when the last person in the line had passed.

The official section was received from 11 until 1 o'clock and there were approximately 2000 participating in it, headed by the Cabinet, the Diplomatic Corps, members of Congress, army and navy officers, and the higher officials of the Government establishments. The brilliant uniforms and gala dress kept the big stairways of the White House full of color while the curving driveways were jammed with automobiles. The numbers were swelled by the delegates and attendants upon the Arms Conference, all resplendent in orders and decorations.

The gates of the White House enclosure were swung back at 2 o'clock for the public to enter, and led by the inevitable small boy, the head of a long column which had dared the January breeze swept forward to the pillared entrance. A red-coated marine band, divided in two sections so that by alternating continuous music could be maintained, began its program as the procession moved up. The big doors were propped back and for two hours the mass moved thru the massive entrance, its individual units jiggling under the combined stimulus of the music and the cold.

Secret service men, ushers and goldcorded military aides cut the quadruple line down to single file once it was within the entrance. Under their insistent instructions of "keep your hands in sight" many developed a tendency to put both hands out in front above the waist line and hold them there. Uniformed policemen combed the column outside for cameras, relentlessly relieving their bearers or taking the boxes away for deposit.

The Presidential party stood in the oval Blue Room, just out of hearing of the orchestra and the visitors passed at the rate of 30 or 40 a minute. This speed was attained through the insistent pressure of aides and attaches, and the President and Mrs. Harding rose to the occasion, meeting the physical test practically without flagging. The crowd was thoroughly cosmopolitan, representative of many races and nationalities. The children, of whom there were many, were given special attention.

"Hello, dearie," the President said to one tot who was passing on a parental shoulder.

The next moment the flickering line disclosed four small negroes marching ahead of their mother.

"Why, look who's here!" the President exclaimed as he bent over and smiled into the flashing teeth and rolling eyeballs that were sweeping by. "How are you, youngsters?"

Mrs. Harding smiled and added a pleasant word here and there, while she quickly developed an efficient swing of her right arm and shoulder which stood the strain as well as the President's golf-developed muscles.

The people passed quickly and in perfect order through the East Room and thence to the street, there being never an interruption or a moment of confusion.

Only occasionally did the President discover a personal acquaintance in the throng, one being Urbain Ledoux, whose activities in connection with unemployment and other activities have been frequently noted. To him the President gave a cheery greeting.

As the line ran out to extinction, Mrs. Harding beckoned forward the newspaper correspondents, greeting them cheerfully, but announcing that she was "ready to go home."

PRINCETON NEWS

Princeton, Jan. 5.—Miss Lela Wilson from Wilson spent the week end with Miss Eula Baker.

Mr. Nelson Parker from Hillsboro has been visiting in this section the past several days.

Miss Pearl Parker from Clinton, was the guest of Miss Lissie Woodward last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lynch and daughter, Margaret, from Stedman, have been visiting Mr. N. B. Lynch the past week.

Harry Watson and George Woodward have returned from a hunting and fishing trip down near Morehead City.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Snipes from Washington City spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John W. Snipes.

Mr. Ray Whitley has gone to Durham, where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. Flossie Wells entertained the members of her Sunday school class Thursday evening at her home.

Mrs. Sam Potter from Smithfield has been visiting relatives in town the past week.

Miss Lissie Pearce entertained several of her friends Saturday night at the old year going out party.

Joseph S. Edwards and Walter Williams have gone to Chicago where they expect to enter the Moody Bible Institute.

Miss Sarah Blackman is boarding in town and attending the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Etheredge and children and Mrs. B. C. Crawford, of Kenly, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Garland G. Edgerton.

Sydney Fail has bought a new planing machine, which is being put in place and they expect to be ready to dress flooring and ceiling by next Friday. This will be a great accommodation to this section, because for the past several months his old machine was broken and could not be used.

The Community Club will hold its regular monthly meeting next Tuesday, 7:00 p. m. A very interesting and entertaining program is being prepared. Supt. W. H. Hipps and Miss Elizabeth Kelly are to be with us. If you are for or against a new school building for this district—come out and express yourself.

Jno. W. Wood Has Family Reunion

On New Year's Day the home of Mr. John W. Wood was the place of much enjoyment, when all the children and grandchildren came together to celebrate his sixty-sixth birthday. Papa was unaware of our plans until we began to arrive, yet he was not much surprised. Twelve o'clock found us all there, and at twelve-thirty we had dinner. And such a table! It was loaded with all kinds of good things to eat. After dinner all gathered around the fire and laughed and talked. Papa received many nice and useful presents.

Papa has ten living children and 15 grandchildren, everyone of whom were present on this occasion. They are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. John N. Barefoot and five children; Mr. and Mrs. J. Mang Wood and four children; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Parker, and three children; Mr. and Mrs. Noga Wood and two children; Mr. and Mrs. John N. Johnson and one child; Messrs Glenn, Elmond Turner, Jno. W. Jr., and Miss Cleo Wood; and Mr. Joseph E. Hudson and Mrs. Hudson.

The hour of four came all too soon, when we took our departure, hoping that we may be together again next year, and wishing that papa may enjoy more birthdays.

A daughter, Mrs. Noga Wood.

The dainty forget-me-not flower is the emblem of friendship all over the world.

The White House reception was not the only one held in Washington today. When the President received the public the Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge were at home to several hundred guests, while Cabinet officials were at home to their official associates and friends. Secretary and Mrs. Hughes gave a breakfast to the diplomatic corps at the Pan-American Union Building at 12:30 P. M. while Secretaries Weeks, Denby, Wallace and Hoover received at their homes.

THE WOODROW WILSON FOUNDATION

Plans Underway to Honor This Great American— Campaign Begins 15th

A national committee of 250 representative men and women has undertaken to establish the Woodrow Wilson Foundation. The purpose of the Foundation is to honor a great American and to create a method whereby public service will be encouraged and conspicuously recognized in this and future generations.

From the income of the Foundation, the Woodrow Wilson Award, or Awards, will be granted in recognition of distinguished public service.

To establish this Foundation on a fitting basis, the National Committee, through an organization in each State will make an appeal for a popular subscription. The amount of the fund sought is \$1,000,000 or more.

The appeal will be issued to all who believe in those liberal and democratic principles that Woodrow Wilson has so conspicuously championed, and who wish to perpetuate the influence of America's great war leader.

After the fund has been raised a Board of Trustees, composed of eminent Americans, will be entrusted with its permanent administration.

The active campaign throughout the country will begin the week of January 15, 1922. Subscriptions, however, will be received at any time at National Headquarters. Checks may be made payable to The Woodrow Wilson Foundation.

Headquarters for the Foundation have been established at 150 Nassau Street, New York City.

Mrs. Joseph Daniels has been made chairman for North Carolina, and any amount for this purpose sent to her at Raleigh will be appreciated. North Carolina was among the first states to make possible the nomination of Woodrow Wilson, and has always supported him and his policies and it is the wish of this paper that a substantial fund may be turned over to Mrs. Daniels from Johnston county.

FITZGERALD SECTION

Mr. Henry Crumpler returned to his home Monday from Goldsboro, where he spent a few days on business.

Miss Effie Cannon has returned from her home at Marion where she spent the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Hubert Crumpler spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crumpler.

Mr. T. E. Wellons, who is an old resident of the Fitzgerald section, has moved to Micro.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Smith of Smithfield visited Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crumpler, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Pittman spent several days last week with Mrs. Pittman's mother, Mrs. P. Godwin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Worley, of Selma visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crumpler, New Year's Day.

Mr. J. B. Strickland, of Princeton, visited his sister, Mrs. Henry Crumpler, Tuesday.

The following is the honor roll for the Fitzgerald school:

First grade: Robert Williams, Lois Little, Willard Pittman, Rama Starling, Herbert Braswell, Kenneth Pender.

Second grade: Bessie Crumpler, Arnold Pittman, Juanita Aldridge, Gladys Braswell.

Third grade: Velma Pittman, Marvin Little.

Fifth grade: Jasper Edwards, Lillian Braswell, Jasper Thompson.

Sixth grade: Sadie Aldridge, Cassie Starling.

Robbers Steal Safe From Depot Wilson, Jan. 4.—While the town slept robbers broke into the Atlantic Coast Line freight and passenger office at Lucama last night, took out a large safe, placed it on an express truck and carried it half a mile in the woods and broke it open. They secured around \$300 for their trouble.

What shall we write on the fair new page called 1922? Can we not make it a record of golden deeds?