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## RUSSIA HAS FIRST PLACE AT GENOA

### Matter of Recognition Of Soviet Russia Looms As Dominant Question

GENOA, April 9.—The preliminary moves on the European chess board, to which the day before the opening of the economic conference was devoted, plainly showed all nations, great and small, courting Russia although they wished to appear not over-eager in the courtship. Therefore, the Russians seemed to hold a position of distinct advantage, all depending on how they manipulated their pawns in their project to be admitted to the council of nations as the representatives of the Russian state.

The Supreme Council's Cannes resolution of January 6, from which the Genoa Conference grew, announced that steps must be taken toward the economic reconstruction of central and "Eastern" Europe in order to restore international commerce and develop the resources of "all" countries, which clearly includes Russia.

The agenda, which later developed from that resolution, while superficially dealing with financial and commercial questions, seems impossible of discussion without consideration of the basic political problem. Article One of the agenda makes reference to "examination of the best methods, for the execution of the principles contained in the resolution passed at Cannes by the Supreme Council on January 6."

The Italian delegation, to whom the direction of the conference has been entrusted, explains that this article is the pivot on which the conference work must turn. Referring especially to relations with Russia and her recognition, a consortium was mentioned at Cannes. This plan was stoutly resisted by Russia, which has since been joined in this opposition by Poland, Estonia and Latvia, which met with Russia at the recent Riga conference and signed a protocol pledging themselves to stand for Russian recognition and united in opposition to a consortium.

This attitude of the Baltic entente against the proposed consortium was based on the belief that the great powers contemplated infringing their sovereignty through financial control and hoped to place them in the position of colonies, much, it was argued, as had been done with China.

Article Two relates to the settlement of differences without the use of arms and force.

Russia is willing to reduce her army if Japan evacuates Siberia and guarantees for the security of its boundaries are given. France contends that she cannot reduce her army because Germany is not complying with the Versailles Treaty.

Article Three of the agenda refers to "essential conditions for the re-establishment of confidence, without affecting existing treaties."

This, according to the Cannes discussion, had to do with the inter-allied debts, which were not mentioned because it was feared such mention would prevent American participation. The clause "without affecting existing treaties" was insisted upon by France in order to prevent revision of the reparations provisions of the Versailles Treaty.

Article Four deals with the financial questions. First, currency, second, central banks; third, public finance in connection with reconstruction; fourth, exchange, and fifth, organization of public and private credit.

Article five of the agenda covers economic and commercial questions: First, facilitations and guarantees for export and import commerce; second, legal guarantees for the resumption of commerce; third, protection of industrial, literary and artistic property; fourth, consular regulation; fifth, admission and status of foreigners in connection with their participation in trade; sixth, technical assistance to be given in the work of reconstruction.—Associated Press.

Miss Lucy Mathis who came back to Smithfield from Falco about a week ago to take her former position in the telephone office was visited Saturday and Sunday by her sister, Miss Mary Mathis.

## MILK DRINKING IN THE JOHNSTON COUNTY SCHOOLS

### Surveys Made In Benson, Clayton and Smithfield; Tests To Be Conducted Here.

As a result of the surveys made by Misses Garrison, Bridge and Swain who put on a "Milk Week" Demonstration in three towns of the county last week, it was found that a larger per cent of school children in Smithfield are drinking milk than in Benson or Clayton. However, the per cent of the children drinking milk here is only 63 per cent. Benson comes close with 60 per cent, while only 47 per cent of the pupils at Clayton are reported as milk drinkers. The comparison is based upon 445 pupils present at Smithfield the day the survey was made, 280 drinking milk, and 214 drinking tea and coffee; at Benson, 342 pupils present with 206 drinking milk and 188 drinking tea or coffee; at Clayton, 472 pupils present, 220 drinking milk and 223 drinking tea or coffee. The survey from the Ivanhoe Mill school was not included above.

As a result of the study in the local school plans are being made to make some milk tests. Certain children who are underweight will be given milk at regular intervals during the day and their progress watched. Miss Kennette, primary supervisor, will probably have charge of the test. Mr. James Myatt, our enterprising dairyman, has kindly offered to furnish the milk free of charge for the test. Mr. Myatt has been very much interested in the campaign and has offered a number of cash prizes for essays and posters in the school.

Not only has Mr. Myatt shown an interest in the work but the drug stores, woman's club, pupils and teachers of the school, merchants and others have all contributed to make the campaign a success. Cash prizes have also been offered by the drug stores.

## CLAYTON LADY WEDS AT CHAPEL HILL SUNDAY

CHAPEL HILL, April 9.—With the university and Chapel Hill all unsuspecting, a wedding took place in the woods of Battle park, a few hundred yards from the campus late this afternoon.

Hubert Heffner, known to many cities of North Carolina through his acting in the plays given by the Carolina playmakers and Miss Ruth Penny, when a fellow student used to go walking in the park a year or so ago and they got into the habit of studying together at a romantic spot known as Stone Seat. They did not devote all their talks to their lessons, and pretty soon they were engaged. Secretly they made the plan to be married on the very spot where they had spent so many happy hours with each other.

Parson W. D. Moss was the only one to whom they confided the plan. Miss Penny left the university last June to return to her home in Clayton but a day or so ago she came back to Chapel Hill as she had promised. The ceremony was performed by Parson Moss just before sunset, while dogwoods and Judas trees in full blossom roundabout swayed in a gentle April breeze.

The only spectators were I. J. Stephenson, who is the closest friend of Mr. Heffner, Paul Greene and Miss Elizabeth Lay. Mr. Greene and Miss Lay had been asked to take a walk with the couple and did not know that a wedding was in prospect until they came upon Parson Moss and he took the marriage license from his pocket.

The couple start their married life with the best of omens for there is a tradition that lovers who have once sat together on Stone Seat never quarrel.

Mr. Heffner will remain in the university until commencement—Greensboro Daily News.

## Editor Benton Returns.

Editor J. B. Benton has disposed of his holdings in the Mebane Enterprise and has taken charge of The Benson Review, of which he is owner. Alfred J. Schmidt, who has been operating The Review under a lease for the past year will leave Benson in a few days and contemplates entering the newspaper business in another field.—Benson Review.

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT CLAYTON

### Methodist of Raleigh Dist. Will Meet April 26-28; Fine Program

The District Conference of the Methodist church for the Raleigh district will meet at Clayton on Wednesday night, April 26th and continue till Friday the 28th. Rev. J. C. Wooten, Presiding Elder, will preside. Rev. E. M. Snipes, of Oxford, will preach the opening sermon on Wednesday night. The membership of the Conference consists of about 25 preachers and about 90 lay members. Women as well as men make up the laity.

On Thursday every steward in the district is invited to come. Hon. Joseph Daniels is expected to deliver an address. On Friday every Sunday School Superintendent and teacher is invited. Prof. H. E. Spence, of Trinity College and others will deliver addresses. Friday night will be devoted to the Epworth League work and a large number of Leaguers are expected for this service.

On Thursday a barbecue dinner will be served. The Methodists of Clayton are expecting this to be a great occasion, both for them and for Methodism in the Raleigh district.

## FOREST FIRES TO IMPROVE RANGE SHOULD BE STOPPED

The people of Western North Carolina are unanimous in the opinion that fires in the woods greatly injure the timber, the young growth, and even the soil over which they burn. They are resolved to stop them at all costs.

The General Assembly last year appropriated money to be used for this purpose by the State Geological and Economic Survey and with this and other available funds, one or more forest wardens are being appointed in each of the mountain counties.

It is learned that in some parts of the mountain districts burning the woods with the idea that it improves the range is still occasionally practiced. Besides being a violation of the State law this practice is in reality an injury to the range rather than a help because it kills out the more valuable plants such as mountain pea and the better grasses and leaves only the coarser and less nourishing grasses, which, though they become available a week or two earlier, they will not last as long or furnish as much feed as if the woods were not burned. The State authorities are making a determined effort to prevent such fires.

The last legislature passed a measure extending the stock law to nearly all of the remaining free range areas of the State. There are now only a few of the isolated districts in which cattle can be ranged, and as all cattlemen desire the best range possible, it is expected that in all free range districts the forest wardens will have the hearty cooperation of cattle owners in the prevention of forest fires.

## Two Local Warehouses Offered.

At a meeting Friday in Raleigh of Eastern North Carolina tobacco warehousemen in conference with the officials of the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association, more than 60 warehouses were offered for lease or purchase. Among the number were two warehouses in this city: the Center Brick owned by R. P. Holding and estate of George T. Pool, and the Farmers Warehouse owned by the Farmers' Warehouse Co.

## PROCLAMATION

Know all Men, Women and Children by these Presents:

That, Whereas, the National Clean Up and Paint Up Campaign has resulted in many advantages to community life throughout the United States in relieving Unemployment; in safeguarding Health; in promoting Thrift; in furthering Fire Prevention; in stimulating Civic Pride, and in making the "Home and City Beautiful."

Now, therefore, be it known that plans have been perfected for a thorough Clean Up and Paint Up campaign in Smithfield, beginning 17th day of April, 1922, and continuing in a real campaign of persistent and constructive effort in cleaning up and keeping it up. In this worthy movement we urge each citizen to do his or her part to make our community Clean, Healthy, Thrifty, Safe and Beautiful.

Signed LEON G. STEVENS, Mayor.

Signed W. L. FULLER, City Clerk.

## TO DEMONSTRATE SHEEP WORK IN CO.

### Specialist to Be in County Wednesday and Thursday at Various Farms

On Wednesday and Thursday of this week, April 12 and 13th, Mr. George Evans specialist in sheep work of the Extension Service will assist the county agent in giving demonstrations at the places named below in (1) shearing sheep, (2) tying wool, (3) docking and castrating lambs. Every sheep keeper in the county has been invited to attend the one of these demonstrations most convenient to him.

Mr. Evans is well qualified in all lines of sheep work and will be glad to answer any questions or to discuss any phase of sheep work in which the farmers who attend these demonstrations may be interested. The demonstrations will begin promptly at hour named and will last for only an hour and one-half and they will prove well worth the time of any sheep grower to take them in. The three lines of work mentioned above are things in which we must improve our methods if we would have the best returns for our investment in sheep.

It should be noted that the hour for the demonstration at Mr. Lafayette Langston's farm has been changed from 10 a. m. to 9 a. m., and the one at Mr. I. V. Pittman's farm from 4:00 p. m. to 1 p. m. This change is made in order that Mr. Evans may catch the afternoon train. Every one interested in better sheep work is invited to attend these demonstrations and to be at the meeting on time. The work will begin promptly at the hour named below.

Demonstrations to be held at the following places:

At the farm of Mr. Tom G. Allen on the Four Oaks and Benson road at 10 a. m., April 12.

At the farm of Mr. R. M. Pleasant, Angier, N. C., Route 1, at 3 p. m. April 12.

At the farm of Mr. Lafayette Langston, Bentonsville, R. 1, at 9 a. m., April 13.

At the farm of Mr. I. V. Pittman, Micro, N. C., at 1 p. m. April 13.

S. J. KIRBY, County Agent.

## Honoring the Presidents.

The Shipping Board has hit upon a plan in designating its crack ships that ought to meet with public approval. All its larger vessels are to bear the names of Presidents of the United States, the inspiration probably having been drawn from the popularity of the George Washington. Nine names have been selected, beginning with the present Executive, Warren G. Harding, and including Woodrow Wilson, William Howard Taft, Theodore Roosevelt, William McKinley, Grover Cleveland, Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Jackson and Thomas Jefferson. Mr. Lasker has been commissioned to complete the list of names. Here is another door closed against the fellows who are always going around wanting to know what we shall do for our Vice Presidents.—Charlotte Observer.

## Baraca-Philathea Convention.

The time and place for the Baraca-Philathea Annual Convention has been announced, Hendersonville, in the "Ladn of the Sky", is the place and June 15-18 is the time. A thousand delegates are expected to attend.

Speakers of national reputation are being secured and a pageant showing the origin and growth of the movement will be included in the program.

## TURLINGTON GRADED SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS

Dr. Poteat, President of Wake Forest College Will Deliver Address; Rev. Tuttle to Preach Sermon

Dr. William Louis Poteat, president of Wake Forest College, has accepted an invitation to deliver the address to the graduating class of Smithfield High school June 2, 1922. Dr. Poteat is one of the very best platform speakers in the State, and is in great demand for commencement occasions not only in North Carolina but also in other states. The high school is to be congratulated upon securing such an able man to speak to the graduating class.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle, pastor of Centenary Methodist Church, will preach the sermon to the graduating class on Sunday night, May 28. Rev. Fred T. Collins and Rev. Neill McInnis have both agreed to suspend the evening services at the Baptist and the Presbyterian churches on that date. Rev. D. H. Tuttle has spoken to the high school students here several times since coming here to preach and he always makes a very strong speech to the students.

## FATHER KILL THREE CHILDREN AND HIMSELF.

CHARLOTTE, April 9.—Ruby Lee Helms, 13-year-old girl, horror-stricken and helpless, today saw her father, John Helms, 40, slay three of her little brothers and sisters in succession with a wood axe, and then saw him deliberately blow off the top of his own head with a shotgun according to the story, she the only witness, told Coroner Frank Hovis.

The quadruple tragedy occurred at the home of Helms, who occupied a tenant house on the farm of Robert Rice, 11 miles east of Charlotte, about 6:30 this morning. Coroner Hovis said the father had been suffering from ill health, as he had been suffering from a chronic stomach disease and appeared deeply depressed when talking to a brother a day or two ago about his "hopeless" condition.

According to little Ruby Lee Helms, she was walking about in the yard with the nine-months-old baby, Hazeline, while her mother prepared breakfast, when her father approached with an axe and with the handle knocked the baby from her arms; then he went into the house and, with the axe, brained two children in bed, while she looked on through a widow, the two being, Broncho, aged six and Bleeker aged four. He then grabbed a shotgun, went out into the yard, placed the muzzle against his cheek, the gun standing on the ground, reached down and pressed the trigger with his thumb, the load blowing off the top of the head.

Mrs. Helms and another child in addition to Ruby Lee escaped without injury and gave the alarm. Soon neighbors were on the scene, and later Coroner Hovis. The baby did not die instantly, but was taken to a hospital in Charlotte where it died about two hours later. It was said that Helms was formerly a cotton mill operative at Charlotte, but recently moved to the farm.—Associated Press.

## Mrs. W. J. Hooks Hostess.

KENLY, April 7.—Mrs. W. J. Hooks delightfully entertained the Priscilla Club at her home last Friday afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock. The home was beautifully decorated in flowers and potted plants. Mrs. Hooks received her guests in her usual and charming manner and ushered them in the living-room where everyone busily spent the afternoon chatting and sewing.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. A. J. Broughton served a delicious salad and ice course.

Those present to enjoy Mrs. Hooks' hospitality were: Mesdames R. A. Turlington, K. D. Morgan, C. F. Darden, A. J. Broughton, T. C. Bailey, W. C. Clarke, Edwin Jones, L. Z. Woodard, G. B. Woodard and Talmadge Edgerton.

## Verbal Barrage.

"Shall I go over the top?" asked the talkative barber, posing his shears.

"Yes, as soon as your gas-attack is over," answered the weary customer.—The Traveler's Beacon.

## IRELAND NOW ON VERGE CIVIL WAR

### In Case of Civil War The British May Return to Restore Order

DUBLIN, April 9.—In a speech delivered at Wexford today Michael Collins, head of the provisional government, declared that unless there was an immediate change in the tone and tactics of certain of the people "it looks as if civil war can only be averted by a miracle."

Mr. Collins added that in such a contingency there was little doubt the British would return to restore the order which the Irish would have shown themselves unable to preserve.

Train holdups and attempts to prevent pro treaty meetings continued today. A Dublin train on which Mr. Collins was supposed to be traveling to Wexford found the rails had been taken up near Arklow. Armed men prevented a repair gang from replacing the rails. Mr. Collins had foiled his opponents by making the trip during the night.

The place where the rails were removed was on a bridge over the river Avoca. After they were eventually re-laid and the train reached Ennis railway, armed men who arrived in an automobile kidnapped the engine driver so as to prevent the train from reaching Wexford.

Thousands of persons attended the meeting in Wexford. There were only feeble signs of opposition to Mr. Collins. He declared that the language of Eamon de Valera had become that of a dangerous despot; and de Valera while posing as a lover of liberty and shouting the name of liberty, was trampling its form under foot.

"The language of our opponents," declared Mr. Collins "is that of a man—not patriotism. Our existence is threatened as no enemy from the outside ever had the power to threaten it, and there is grave danger of another period of long agony before the country. Unless there is an immediate change in the tone and tactics of certain of the people it looks as if civil war can only be averted by a miracle. In case of civil war the British will return to restore the order which the Irish people have shown themselves unable to preserve."—Associated Press.

## Water Makes Eggs.

Many flocks of hens have less than one-half of the amount of water they need for body maintenance and egg production. When it is known that 1 dozen medium sized eggs contain about a pint of water and that 55 per cent of the body weight is water the importance of liberal quantities of fresh clean water can not be overestimated.

Water is necessary in the crop of the hen to keep the food, which is stored there, from becoming congested. This would result in a condition which is sometimes called "crop-bound." Plenty of fresh water keeps the food soft which allows it to pass uniformly down the gullet into the glandular stomach. In the glandular stomach quantities of digestive juices are poured on to the food where it passes on to the gizzard. The action of the gizzard grinds the contents into very fine paste. From there it goes down thru the intestines, receiving digestive juices at different points until it is a soft solution in the large intestines. Absorption of the food into the blood streams occur while it is in a liquid state in the intestines. The absorbed food is carried to all parts of the body in the blood stream. Water is necessary for everyone of these processes. Many flocks produce few eggs because they lack water.—Nebraska Agricultural Station.

## PHONOGRAPH STAR ADA JONES & CO. HERE SOON

One of the interesting musical events of the season will be the coming to the Opera House on April 18, of America's best known comedienne Ada Jones (herself) and her own Company of high class artists. Ada Jones has no equal in her famous character songs and keeps her audience in continual laughter by her original manner of singing her songs. The other members of Miss Jones Company are direct from Redpath, Lyceum and Chautauqua circuits.