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WEATHER

Fair tonight and Sunday, little change in temperature, gentle shifting winds.

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NOW READY FOR PLENARY SESSION

Covenant Amended to Include Monroe Doctrine But Not to Satisfy Japanese and French

(By Associated Press)
Paris, April 12.—With the single exception of the amendment specifically exempting the Monroe Doctrine, no vital change was made by the League of Nations Commission in the covenant in the meetings Thursday and Friday nights.

Last night's session marked the conclusion of the consideration of the covenant. It was attended by President Wilson who remained to the close of the meeting after midnight.

No date was set for the Plenary Peace Conference to consider the covenant.

As the covenant left the commission it contained no section granting the Japanese request for recognition of racial equality.

Neither was the section introduced covering the request of France for an international military staff.

Both Japan and France reserved the right to bring up these amendments before the Plenary Session.

As it now stands, the covenant contains twenty six sections.

FINISH BOUNDARY QUESTIONS MONDAY

The Council of Four of the Peace Conference expects to finish the examination of boundary questions on Monday and summon the German delegates to Versailles in the course of the next week, according to Le Journal.

EXPLAINS INCREASE TELEGRAPH RATES

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 12.—The Wire Control Board in a statement giving figures in connection with the increase in telegraph rates directs attention to the fact that while the increase in the price of products and service of various industrial corporations have increased a hundred per cent, telegraph service has been rendered at pre-war prices.

ASSEMBLY APPOINTS PEACE COMMITTEE

(By Associated Press)
Berlin, April 12.—The German National Assembly has established a committee of 28 members to carry on peace negotiations.

GENERAL ALLENBY REPORTS CAIRO OUTWARDLY QUIET

(By Associated Press)
London, April 12.—General Allenby, Commissioner in Egypt, reports Cairo outwardly quiet, but disturbances in the poorer quarters continue. Quiet prevails in the provinces.

TEACHERS EXAMINATION TODAY

A teacher's examination was held today for the teachers who have completed the reading course this year in Raaper. Teachers whose certificates were in force on and after 1918 may have them renewed by passing this examination.

PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR NIXONTON ELECTION

Prospects for carrying the special tax election in Nixonton next Tuesday are bright, according to latest reports.

Enthusiasm for better schools is constantly growing thruout the county.

WINDOWS NOW IN

The plate glass windows in the new Studebaker Auto show rooms, corner Road and Main streets, opposite the Southern Hotel, are now in and the show rooms will be open in the near future.

RESIGNS FROM BOARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

J. G. Fearing has tendered his resignation to the Board of County Commissioners. His successor will be appointed by the Clerk of the Court before the next meeting of the board.

MRS. CLAUDE TARKINGTON DEAD

Mrs. Claude Tarkington died Saturday morning at 10:30 at her home on East Burgess street, after a serious illness of more than a week.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Lucy Williams, who is now seriously ill at the home, by a young infant, and by her husband, who is in France.

Mrs. Tarkington was Miss Allie Williams before her marriage. She was a woman of attractive personality and lovable character and had many friends thruout the city.

Her death is a shock to friends and loved ones and is peculiarly tragic on account of her husband's absence, her mother's illness, and the little orphan baby left behind.

UNIVERSITY VIRGINIA RECEIVES BIG GIFT

(By Associated Press)

Charlottesville, April 12.—A gift of a hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the establishment of a school of fine arts at Charlottesville was announced on Founders Day exercises at the University of Virginia.

President Alderman guaranteed \$100,000 if an additional \$50,000 would be forthcoming for a gymnasium as a memorial to the forty-six University of Virginia men killed in the war.

FIND ADVENTURE IN RELIEF WORK

Mr. and Mrs. Compton of Illinois Serve with Y. M. C. A. in Siberia Amid Trying Circumstances

Omsk, Siberia, Feb. 12. (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—Exciting adventures have fallen to the lot of Mrs. Carl C. Compton, of Chicago, who, with American womanly pluck, has accompanied her husband in many months of humanitarian relief work among the Armenians and later during the most exciting moments of the Bolshevik revolution. They had never felt Illinois before coming to the Caucasus for the Committee on Armenian-Relief. Now, Mr. Compton is in charge of the American Young Men's Christian Association work at Omsk.

They were first stationed at Alexandropol, Caucasus, then in the hands of the Russians, and were occupied with industrial relief work. Positions were found for refugees as they arrived, fleeing from Turkey. They estimate that they and other members of the corps distributed clothing for 15,000 Armenian orphans, whose parents had been massacred by the Turks. Help was furnished to about 60,000 refugees.

Then, suddenly, the Russian revolution developed. The Bolsheviks abandoned the battle front and the Turkish army advanced. It was feared that the Germans would come down the Black Sea and seize the line from Batum to Tiflis. The American consul advised all the Americans to leave at once, and a special train conveying sixty foreigners finally arrived at Baku on the Caspian Sea. There they were caught in a battle between Bolsheviks and Armenians on one side and Tartars on the other. The street in which they lived was dominated by Tartars who sprayed the roadway with machine-gun bullets. For three days they did not dare leave the house and had only bread to live on. Eventually, by paying a high price, they were able to charter a special steamer for Astrakhan, which is situated at the mouth of the Volga. "We had to sleep on the deck throughout the whole trip," said Mrs. Compton. "The crew and the families of the crew slept in the cabins, and refused to give them up."

"We waited for two weeks for the ice to break up in the Volga and then we went up to Samara. The others went on to Vladivostok. The Bolsheviks were in possession of Samara then, but we were able to carry on general relief. Thousands of refugees came through and we started a soup kitchen at the station. Later maternity and general hospitals were organized."

"We had rather an exciting time at Samara when the Czechs came in. We lived not far from the river between the Bolshevik barracks and the principal Bolshevik club of the

TWO AIRPLANES ARE NOW READY

And Aviation Experts Putting Then in Readiness For Trans-Atlantic Flight

(By Associated Press)

St. Johns, Newfoundland, April 12.—With two airplanes on the ground and the two rival camps of British aviation experts hurrying to put the machines in condition, preparations for the trans-Atlantic flight took on the appearance of a real race today. The start will hardly be made before Monday.

NO FOODSTUFFS FOR BAVARIA

(By Associated Press)

Berlin, April 12.—A special dispatch from Bamberg says that the German government has announced that the Entente Powers have informed it that Bavaria isn't to be included in the conclusion of peace and that measures will be taken to prevent any Entente foodstuffs from reaching Bavaria.

PREACHED SERMON

The Rev. J. M. Ormond, pastor of The First Methodist Church preached an excellent sermon at the 5:15 P. M. Lenten Service in Christ Church yesterday.

CHRIST CHURCH

Rev. Geo. F. Hill, Rector.
Palm Sunday.
Morning Prayer, Ante Communion and Sermon 11 a. m.
Evening Prayer and Sermon 8:00 P. M.
The Senior Choir will sing at the morning service and the Junior Choir at the evening service.
A cordial welcome to all.

CITY ROAD CHURCH

The pastor Rev. J. W. Bradley, will preach at 11 a. m. from the subject "Keeping Step With The Captain."
And at 7:30 the subject will be "Those Who See Us in the Fight."
The pastor desires very much that all members be present at 11 o'clock.

WILL HAVE PIE AND CAKE SALE

The Elizabeth Sunday School class will have a Pie and Cake Sale next Saturday downtown, selling all sorts of good things for Easter Sunday Dinner. Announcement is made early so that housekeepers may plan accordingly. The eats will be good and the prices will be reasonable.

city. The place drew most of the shell-fire from the Czech army. Bullets came through our windows and our room became filled with brick dust from the exploding shells. The Bolshevik soldiers lay flat upon the club roof and fired down on the Czech soldiers, so we had a very good view of the fighting. From my window I could have touched the Bolshevik troops with my hand.

"We were awfully glad to get down into the cellar. There was a slit in the wall and we could see the end of the battle. Finally we heard the Czechs cheering, and saw people running from the houses, all making the sign of the cross. The Czechs had won. Everybody put on their best clothes and paraded in the streets with bands. Collections were taken up for the Czechs, who were hailed as heroes and deliverers."

"When the Bolsheviks had the city we would see them lying in the streets. They were always chewing sun-flower seeds."

Mr. Compton said he had never seen any Bolshevik atrocities but he had seen proclamations issued by the Bolsheviks declaring they would butcher the people if they captured the city. He said that once a Bolshevik broke into an American's room, but had immediately apologized, adding that America was the only friend Russia had.

Mr. Compton also said that Russian officers told him nine-tenths of the people became Bolsheviks because they didn't have enough to live on, and because they thought anything would be better than their present condition.

ASK BANKS TO CHECK EXODUS

Thousands of Aliens Leaving America With Millions Of American Dollars

(By Associated Press)

New York, April 12.—All savings banks of the United States are asked in letters sent out today by the American Bankers Association to aid in checking the exodus from this country of thousands of aliens who are sailing for their native lands with millions of American dollars, due to Bolshevik propaganda.

The Association says "An alarming proportion of the country's 14,000,000 foreign born population are selling liberty bonds and withdrawing their money from the banks. It is estimated that more than a million cannot be stopped and that they will carry nearly four billion dollars with them."

THE FIRST METHODIST

Everybody is invited to the thirty minutes of prayer and meditation service to be held Sunday morning at seven o'clock at the First Methodist Church. This service will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Ormond.

Sunday School meets at 9 o'clock. The session Sunday morning will be of special interest inasmuch as it is Decision Day. Rev. W. A. Stanbury will speak to the school after re-assembling in the auditorium.

At both the eleven and eight o'clock hours Rev. W. A. Stanbury will preach to the congregations of the First Methodist Church. The subjects respectively are: "God And Bread," and "The Reasonableness of God: Forgiveness." He has been with the church since last Monday, speaking both morning and evening. His sermons have been well received and many people will be glad to hear him Sunday. Everybody is given a cordial invitation to all the services.

BUXTON WHITE AT STATE COLLEGE

Buxton White, who recently returned from France and spent a few weeks here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. White, is now Acting Commandant at the State College, Raleigh, and also Alumni Secretary of the College.

RETURNS FROM FUNERAL

Guy White returned Saturday from Currituck where he had been to attend the funeral of his grandfather, Daniel S. Meekins, who was found dead in bed on Thursday morning at his home at Mamie.

Mr. Meekins was seventy-seven years old. He was a veteran of the civil war and well known throughout Currituck County.

Mrs. C. B. White of this city is one of the four surviving children.

NEW SILKS MONDAY

The Silk Sale at Mitchells has attracted a throng of customers yesterday and every purchaser appears pleased with the very unusual bargains we are offering. New Silks just received today will make Monday's offerings especially attractive.—adv.

NEGRO ELKS AT MT. LEBANON

Colden Leaf Lodge No. 142, I. B. P. O. of Elks of the World, the most progressive Negro Fraternity in the City will hold its Annual Thanksgiving and Memorial Services at Mt. Lebanon A. M. E. Zion Church, on Sunday, April 13th, 1919 at three o'clock P. M.

Lawyer Cleon W. Brown, Grand Travelling Deputy of the World will deliver the Address.

Special prepared music will be furnished by the Elks' Quartette and Chorus under the direction of James B. Lewis.

The public is invited.

Use Texaco Gas and Oil at Edgar's Gas Station, open Sundays. Also keep cars for hire. Phone 53 for service.

D. Walter Harris has returned from a business trip to Baltimore.

W. F. Small of Weaverville was in the city Saturday.

MRS. LEWIS CALLED AGAIN TO RALEIGH

Mrs. R. E. Lewis left Saturday for Raleigh, where her nephew, Otto Boettcher, continues extremely ill. This is the second time she has been at his bedside during his illness. His mother has been with him the entire time. He is also attended by two doctors and a trained nurse. His condition is extremely serious, and if he rallies from the illness it will be almost by a miracle. Beginning with double pneumonia, he has suffered with mastoiditis, erysipelas and a number of other complications.

REPORT RESULTS BABY CAMPAIGN

National Effort For Better Babies During Past Year Makes For Increased Interest in Health Problems

(By Associated Press)

Washington, April 5.—Weighing of more than 2,000,000 babies, establishment of many new health centers to advise mothers on the care of their children, and stimulation of the movement to keep children in school and provide them adequate recreation, were reported today by the Children's Bureau as some of the results of its Children's year campaign.

More than 11,000,000 women participated in the activities of the year, which was inaugurated last April 6, the first anniversary of America's declaration of war. It was planned to save at least 100,000 of the 300,000 children who die annually or preventable diseases.

The first activity of the year was a test of children under six to see whether they were up to the standards of weight and height for their ages. Nearly 7,000,000 record cards were issued, of which more than 2,000,000 have been tabulated, with others yet to be turned in. A number of communities have undertaken a second test this spring to include children missed in the first and also to note improvement in those previously registered.

Need for preventive work on behalf of children was said to have been emphasized by the information obtained in the test. According to reports received from State Child Welfare Chairmen of the Council of National Defense, communities in 24 states have employed new public health nurses during the year. From ten of these states a total of 137 new nurses has been reported. One hundred and thirty-four children's health centers to which mothers may go for expert advice concerning the best means of caring for their children have been established during Children's Year in communities in 15 states.

Swimming pools, playgrounds, and new leisure-time activities have become a part of the play life of boys and girls in many communities as a result of the year. From sixteen states the establishment of new playgrounds has been reported.

Forty-three states, New York City and the District of Columbia are engaged in a campaign to prevent boys and girls from going to work before they have the training they need for successful and happy lives. "Back to School" and "Stay in School" are the slogans of this drive. A number of communities have provided scholarship funds to enable children of needy parents to continue their education after they reach the legal working age. At least one such scholarship for each of the 281,000 school houses in the United States.

Although Children's Year is officially over, plans are under way in several states to make every year a Children's Year. A new consciousness of the value of the child and his need for good health, wholesome play, adequate schooling and protection from premature work is said to be indicated by laws contemplated by the states. These include many bills for the protection of children.

The Children's Bureau has planned a conference with foreign experts who have had a part in the work done by European countries for the protection of children during the stress of war. The conference will consist of two distinct parts: First, a small working committee of American authorities to be invited by the Secretary of Labor, and members of

DRINKS IODINE TO ESCAPE JAIL

Fourteen Year Old Boy in Jail To Be Sent to Reformatory Misses Death by Close Margin

Harold Gibbs, aged fourteen, fatherless, whose mother lives at number nine West Cypress street, missed death by a narrow margin Saturday morning when he drank the contents of a bottle of iodine, smuggled to him by a companion on the outside, in a cell of the Pasquotank county jail.

Harold had proved such a trial to his mother that she had turned him over to the police authorities with the request that he be sent to a reformatory. Pending arrangements for sending him to such a house of correction Harold was locked up in jail. A number of his boy friends were visiting him and handing him ice cream or other dainties through the bars of his cell, and Harold told one of them that he wanted a bottle of iodine. The boy obligingly got it for him and Harold drank the whole of it down—and began to scream.

Keeper Albertson was attracted by his cries and discovered what had happened. Physicians were hastily summoned and Dr. Kendrick and Dr. McMullan responded. A stomach pump was put into operation and Harold was relieved, though left white under the gills and shaky on the legs.

Whether the boy seriously intended suicide or thought by a ruse to get out of jail is not clear. If the latter was his purpose it went thru all right, for he was at the Apothecary shop when this paper went to press little the worse for his experience. Though still a trifle pale he had regained his savior faire and was not unwilling to talk until he realized that there was a reporter on hand.

The boy is said to have declared that he had rather have died than to have stayed in jail.

He drank the poison between nine and ten o'clock Saturday morning.

BOLSHEVISM IN 339TH INFANTRY

(By Associated Press)

Washington, April 12.—Company I of the 339th Infantry was identified today by General March as the unit which refused to return to the front trench in the Archangel sector when ordered to do so by their officers.

General March said that the question put to the officers by the men were "identical with questions which Bolshevik propaganda advised them to put."

The Chief of Staff did not indicate what the latest reports show as to the present state of discipline of the American force.

LESS THAN MILLION NOW UNDER ARMS

(By Associated Press)

Washington, April 12.—General March announced today that demobilization has reduced the strength of the American army to less than a million men.

MEDALS FOR ALL

(By Associated Press)

Washington, April 12.—After a conference with the allies a design has been approved for a victory medal to be issued to every soldier on the allied side in commemoration of his service to civilization.

Judge and Mrs. W. M. Bond of Edenton were in the city Friday.

David Cox of Hertford was here Friday.

The Bureau staff who will meet informally with the foreign guests at Washington during the week of May 6; second, a series of regional conferences in various parts of the country at which the discussion of minimum standards can be continued under local auspices and with reference to local conditions.