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WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Friday, except rain in northwest portion tonight, somewhat warmer Friday, gentle to moderate shifting winds.

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BANQUET WAS LIVELY AFFAIR

Speeches And Repartee Demonstrated That City's Business Men Are Indeed Good Fellows

Dinty Moore's place Wednesday night presented a lively and animated scene when the local Merchants' Association tendered a banquet in honor of E. R. Oettinger, of Wilson, President of the North Carolina Merchants' Association, and of J. Paul Leonard, Secretary of the State Organization.

A tempting menu had been prepared to which all present did ample justice. The banquet was followed by speeches of a high order and the sparkle of wit and sharp repartee demonstrated to the visitors that Elizabeth City business men are as genial and hospitable as they are alert and alive to modern business methods. Mr. Oettinger said that he had never been shown anywhere more genuine and hearty hospitality than in Elizabeth City.

M. H. Jones, assistant cashier of the First and Citizens National Bank, was toastmaster, acting for Mayor Gaither, who was out of the city with the delegation that went to Ahsokie in the interest of getting Chowan College to locate in Elizabeth City. Mr. Jones said that he had been assistant-everything else but mayor and that on this occasion he was assuming this role. It was the first time since Mr. Jones has been in Elizabeth City that he has appeared in such a capacity but he presided with rare grace and ease. Hardly less suave and courteous than the Mayor himself it was the unanimous vote of the merchants that Mr. Jones could beat Mayor Gaither telling a joke.

Before introducing the speakers of the evening Toastmaster Jones welcomed the visitors to Elizabeth City describing as among the assets of the city in the way of organizations the Chamber of Commerce, the Housewives League, and the Merchants Association, which though but in its infancy gives every sign of being a healthy brood.

The first speaker was Mr. H. G. Kramer, President of the Chamber of Commerce, and Cashier of the Savings Bank and Trust Company, who responded to the toast "Our Merchants."

"The ultimate goal to which all of us are striving," said Mr. Kramer, "is prosperity, peace and happiness. In order to attain these we must serve, conserve and invest."

"There are three big c's in success, though we use but two in spelling it. They are capacity, character and capital. Capital counts, of course, but costs for little without capacity and character."

"The manufacture of automobiles in Detroit, of furniture goods in Grand Rapids, of cash registers in Dayton, of motor parts in Elmira, are not to be explained on any 'natural resources' theory; but by brains, management or capacity in the men who launched these enterprises."

"The human element is always the controlling factor."

Mr. Oettinger said that Elizabeth City stores are in a class by themselves, and that in his opinion there is not a town of its size in the state with so many good looking stores. He was here to talk to merchants and not to praise the town and lose little time in getting down to business. He said that the time has come when the merchant must take an interest in politics and get into politics in order to put the merchants viewpoint before the lawmakers of the land. This is impossible to do without organization. The Elizabeth City Merchants Association and every merchants association in the state should establish and maintain connections with the state organization so that the influence of all the merchants of the state can be brought to bear, when the need arises at one point.

Incidentally he voiced the opinion that the way to reduce the high cost of living is to educate the people to use and the merchants to carry lower priced grades of goods.

"You have a fire department in your city," said Mr. Leonard, "and you maintain that organization all the time. You don't need it all the time but you maintain it at the top of efficiency every minute so you can get it at any minute. So of the Merchants Association, and take it from me, you need it now."

The value of organization was shown in our winning the war. It was shown in the Liberty Loan and War Savings campaigns. The value of the North Carolina Merchants Association was shown during the war when through it the merchants of the state led the merchants of every

WON PRIZES AT THE VA. POULTRY SHOW

Mr. and Mrs. Howard E. Hettrick have just returned from the Old Dominion Poultry Show at Norfolk, where Mr. Hettrick's Barred Plymouth Rocks won first and second prizes for cockerel mated pullets in the strongest class of Barred Rocks. Judge Kenner pronounced the first bird as in a class to herself. The competition in Barred Rocks was keener than in any other breed in the show and Mr. Hettrick had many offers made him for his two prize pullets, as much as \$40 for one bird, before Judge Kenner placed the awards.

SEES POSSIBLE WAR REVIVAL

General Bliss Says Poland Is Only Bulwark Against the Spread of Bolshevism Into Western Europe

(By Associated Press) Washington, Jan. 15.—General revival of the war in Europe, if Poland is unable to withstand the Russian Bolshevik armies is not improbable, General Bliss, member of the American Peace Delegation, today told the House Ways and Means Committee.

Poland is the only bulwark against Bolshevism, General Bliss said. He appeared before the committee to discuss the proposed loan for food relief in Europe.

COMMANDER—ARMSTRONG

At a very quiet wedding this afternoon at 2:30 Miss Mildred Heine Commander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Commander, became the bride of Mr. Clyde Sprull Armstrong.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. H. Willis, Presiding Elder of the Elizabeth City District, in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of this city.

Only the members of the family and a few friends were present. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left for Washington and other northern cities.

The bride wore a suit of midnight blue tricot with accessories to harmonize, and a corsage of bride's roses. There were no attendants.

Both bride and groom are very popular with the younger social set and have many friends.

DEATH TOLL IS GROWING

(By Associated Press) Mexico City, Jan. 15.—Reports from Puebla state tell of terrible loss of life in that region as the result of the earthquake on January 3rd in Vera Cruz state.

The death toll seems to be growing as reports come in. The number of dead in Courtland and nearby villages reaches more than three thousand.

DIRECTS ENERGIES AGAINST BRITISH

(By Associated Press) Geneva, Jan. 15.—Enva Pasha, former Turkish minister of war and recently elected king of Kurdistan, has started a Bolshevik revolution in Turkestan, Afghanistan and Beluchistan, according to Baku advices.

It is said that he is directing his energies against British prestige in southwestern Asia, his ultimate aim being India.

\$35,000 FOR A HOG

(By Associated Press) Noblesville, Ind., Jan. 15.—Chief's Best, a spotted Poland China hog, was sold today for thirty-five thousand dollars, a new record price for one hog.

state in the Union in the sale of War Savings and Thrift Stamps. He said that it made his blood boil to see these same merchants who had rendered such service during the war not only in the War Savings Campaign but in the Liberty Loan campaigns and in response to every call of the government now classed as profiteers and placed under discriminatory restrictions that were not in force in any neighboring state.

The last speech of the evening was made by Thos. J. Markham, who extolled the beguities and advantages of the picture city on the placid Pasquotank in glowing terms.

FEAR SPREAD OF BERLIN TROUBLE

Diplomatic Dispatches Indicate Possibility it May Reach Even to Vienna

(By Associated Press) London, Jan. 15.—Fear is expressed in diplomatic dispatches received here that the trouble at Berlin may spread throughout Germany and even to Vienna through the agency of the communists.

This element is using the recent Berlin disorders to inflame the masses by representing those killed as martyrs to the cause of the people.

Berlin was quiet Wednesday, according to a wireless dispatch received here today.

COMMUNISTS ACTIVE Berlin, Jan. 15.—A communist manifesto was issued today urging the immediate election of revolutionary employees in all industrial establishments.

MERGER WILL BE AGREED UPON SOON

(By Associated Press) Louisville, Jan. 15.—Clergymen and laymen representing six million Methodists of the country attended the meeting which began here today of the joint commission of Methodist Episcopal Churches.

The delegates considered it a foregone conclusion that a merger would be immediately agreed upon.

IS NOW AGAINST GREAT BRITAIN

Under Guise of Bolshevism, Asiatic Countries Seek Russian Aid Against England

The Hague, Dec. 30. (By The Associated Press.)—The apparent Bolshevik movement in parts of Southern Asia and the East Indies is not so much genuine Bolshevism as it is a movement directed against Great Britain, according to a Dutch official who is in constant touch with affairs in the Far East.

"We have learned," this official told The Associated Press correspondent, "that delegations from Afghanistan, from British India, and from some other Asiatic countries, have been in Moscow in close communication with the Soviet government."

"It is apparent that those who seek aid from the Russian Bolsheviks almost invariably are those elements which have fought British rule in India, or British control in other parts of the East. Their aim is simply to get Russian backing for their anti-British campaigns."

Holland has had considerable difficulty with Bolshevik agitators in her East Indian colonies, but at no time has an actual revolt been started.

LEPER HOSPITAL NEAR SAO PAULO

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Dec. 25. (By The Associated Press.)—A huge model leper hospital, intended to accommodate several hundred lepers of both sexes and all ages, is being built some distance outside the city of Sao Paulo. It is claimed that the institution will place Brazil in forefront of any country in the world in the fight against the dread disease. Laboratories, with staffs of experts, for research into the disease on the most complete scale will be established within the hospital.

The leper colony will have separate departments for single men and women, children and married persons. It will have its own church, postal and telegraph office, police and fire departments, light and water services and cemetery.

DELEGATES ACCEPT ENGLAND'S OFFER

(By Associated Press) London, Jan. 15.—Delegates of the railwaymen's union have accepted the government's offer in settlement of wage demands in lower grades of service.

NAVY TO DISTRIBUTE SILVER VICTORY STAR

(By Associated Press) Washington, Jan. 15.—The distribution of the silver victory star to men wounded in naval service during the war will begin immediately, the Navy Department announced today.

GODLEY IS QUIET ON EVE OF DEATH

Spent Entire Morning With Wife and With Spiritual Adviser. Execution Tomorrow

(By Associated Press) Raleigh, Jan. 15.—Churchill Godley, who is to die tomorrow in the electric chair at State Prison here, for alleged criminal assault on a little nine-year old white girl near Smithfield, Johnson County last May spent the entire morning today with his wife and in prayer with spiritual adviser. Mrs. Godley left the prison at noon but she was expected to return later in the afternoon to visit her husband, probably for the last time. Everything at the prison has been made ready for the execution, which is to occur between ten and eleven o'clock tomorrow morning. Godley is holding up well, according to prison officials and has displayed no signs of a breakdown.

ITALY PREPARES FOR CELEBRATION

Delayed by D'Annunzio Incident, But Palms of Victory Will be Handed Heroes Early in Spring

Rome, Dec. 30. (By The Associated Press.)—Italy has not yet had its victory celebration. The ceremonies which were to have taken place early this month had to be postponed because of the d'Annunzio incident and the unsettled political conditions. But preparations continue and when the palms of victory are handed to the heroes of the great war early next spring it will be a celebration not excelled since the most glorious days of the Roman Empire.

Workmen are now engaged in making highways by which the soldiers may pass along exactly the route followed by the forces of Titus and Constantine when they returned to Rome along the Appian Way and made their way through the Roman Forum to the capitol. The victorious army will march under the famous arch of Constantine, through the arch of Titus, past the ruins of the Colosseum, which Titus built after his conquest of Jerusalem, thru the historic ruins of the Roman Forum, past what remains of the Temple of the Vestal Virgins, up the Capitoline Hill to the Altar of the Father and, the monument erected to the illustrious Victor Emanuel II.

Since the days of the Empire the center of Rome has undergone many changes and it will require much temporary reconstruction to make it possible for troops to follow the ancient course of victors. Steps have replaced the ancient highway leading from the Roman Forum to the capitol. Consequently it will be necessary to build wooden roads over these to accommodate the cavalry and artillery. Part of this road has already been constructed and rises generally from the ruins of the tribune where Marc Antony delivered the funeral oration over Julius Caesar to the level of the approaches leading to the capitol steps.

Canon and ammunition carts and motor lorries will replace the chariots and mortars dragged up the famous Capitoline Hill centuries ago. There will be no elephants and camels, no prisoners in chains. But aircraft will hover over the ceremony and attend modern man's conquest of the air, even though he has never been able to equal the art achievements of pagan Rome when it was capitol of the entire known world and all discovered portions of Europe, Asia and Africa, were ruled from the very spot where Italian soldiers will receive their palms.

U. S. SAILORS ARE RELEASED

(By Associated Press) Washington, Jan. 15.—The two American sailors who were arrested at Mazatlan, Mexico, on the charge of assaulting a Mexican citizen and sentenced to two months imprisonment, were released Tuesday, the State Department was advised today.

E. CITY HIGH'S TO PLAY TOWN TEAM

The E. City High School Girls' basketball team will play the town girls at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night at seven-thirty. Admission ten and fifteen cents.

ALABAMA LYNCHING WAS FOR USUAL CRIME

(By Associated Press) Florida, Ala., Jan. 15.—Jack Waters, a negro charged with attacking a white woman, was lynched here last night. His body was found this morning. It is declared that he confessed the crime.

LEAGUE NATIONS BORN TOMORROW

Absence of United States From First Meeting Main Topic in European Nations

Paris, Jan. 15.—The League of Nations will come into being tomorrow at the public ceremony in the French Foreign office.

Leon Bourgeois, French representative, will preside and make the opening address.

American Ambassador Wallace and American representatives at the Peace Conference will not attend.

Press comment on the meeting dwells principally on the absence of the United States from the ceremony. Most newspapers predict that the absence will not be long and say that the League of Nations can not be complete until America is represented.

MERE PRELUDE TO JANUARY 16.

Independent Socialists in Berlin Expected to Violently Celebrate Liebnicht Anniversary

Geneva, Jan. 15.—Recent events in Berlin are said to be only the prelude to others of more importance which the Independent Socialists intend to provoke on the anniversary of the death of Karl Liebnicht on January 16th, according to Berlin advices.

PLANNING COURSES FOR SUMMER SCHOOL

Greensboro, Jan. 10.—Plans for the coming session of the Summer School of the North Carolina College for Women have just been announced by Prof. John H. Cook, head of the Department of Education in the college, and Director of the Summer Session. The term this year will be for six weeks, and will begin early in order that as many teachers as possible may take the work and still have a reasonable time for summer vacations.

The coming session will open on June 9 and run until July 21. The staff of instruction will be much the same as in the winter session. All the facilities of the college—library, laboratories and buildings—will be placed at the disposal of the summer students.

The work for teachers will be planned with reference to the needs of teachers in the grades, high school teachers, principals of schools, and supervisors. The courses for high school teachers will be fuller than usual this year. There will also be courses in household economics to fit teachers for part time teaching as required for appropriations under the Smith-Hughes law.

Besides the work planned for the teachers, there will be courses in the regular college classes, looking to college credit, and all students with proper entrance conditions will be privileged to take credit courses.

Several lecturers of national reputation will appear before the summer session. Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale has already been secured for a series of lectures.

ALDERMEN MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION

The Board of Aldermen will meet in special session Friday night, January 16th, at the city hall to consider the resignation of City Manager F. M. Simonds.

Mr. Simonds handed his resignation to Mayor Gaither on January 10th to take effect in thirty days.

PEACE CONDITIONS FOR HUNGARIANS

(By Associated Press) Paris, Jan. 15.—Peace conditions will be handed the Hungarian delegation late today. A summary of the terms will be made public tonight.

TO INVESTIGATE SITES OFFERED

Committee Appointed From Board of Trustees of Chowan College to Make Recommendations

The Board of Trustees of Chowan College will meet at Edenton about the first of February to hear a report from a committee of seven appointed from the board to investigate the sites offered by Fenton, Greenville, Ahsokie and Elizabeth City.

The Elizabeth City committee which returned from Ahsokie Wednesday night seem to think that Elizabeth City has a good chance for the college and it is the opinion of some that the fight will finally be between Elizabeth City and Edenton.

The spokesmen for the Elizabeth City committee were: E. F. Aydtett, Walter Cohoon, D. H. Tillett, and George W. Clarke. Others on the delegation from Elizabeth City were: H. K. Williams, L. D. Case, W. O. Saunders, P. S. Vann, M. P. Jennings, S. L. Sheep, D. E. Williams, J. W. Bradley, J. W. Dawson, W. G. Gaither, Tom Love, Sr., W. E. Dunstan, L. B. Twiford.

The Elizabeth City committee proposes to continue the canvass of the city for additional funds and hopes to offer in way of funds as much as the next town.

Among those on the committee appointed to investigate the various sites are: E. F. Aydtett, D. E. Williams, J. H. Matthews of Windsor, C. L. Mitchell of Aulander and W. J. Berryman of Edenton.

The towns bidding for the college are Murfreesboro, Ahsokie, Greenville, Edenton and Elizabeth City.

Murfreesboro is anxious to retain the college which has been there for many years and seems a part of the town. There is an outstanding indebtedness of \$22,000 on the college as it stands and this Murfreesboro offers to take up if the institution is left there. The town will also undertake to provide free transportation for pupils coming to the institution who get off the train at Winton, Ahsokie or Hoykins.

Ahsokie, only seven miles away, is keen for the college, and is accessible by rail. Ahsokie is willing to put up seventy-five thousand dollars in bona fide subscriptions and to offer a free site besides valued at \$10,000.

Edenton, if she can make good, undoubtedly offers the most liberal inducement of any town bidding for the college—a forty acre free site and \$100,000 in subscriptions.

Greenville, which has already secured one college that Elizabeth City could have got if she had been a little more wide awake, also makes a liberal offer.

Elizabeth City, acting on instructions given the committee representing the town, offered fifty thousand dollars and a free site.

Additional subscriptions for Elizabeth City already reported are:

Friend	100.00
J. M. Richardson	25.00
W. J. Woodley	200.00
W. W. Newbern	100.00
D. R. Kramer	50.00
Kramer Amusement Co.	100.00
J. M. LeRoy	200.00
Total	\$ 750.00

BOLSHEVIKI ARE SLOWING UP SOME

(By Associated Press) London, Jan. 15.—The virtual abolition of the death penalty against non-Bolsheviks in Soviet Russia was announced in a Moscow wireless today.

The Bolsheviks have captured Rostov-on-Don, according to a Moscow wireless.

BIG BLIZZARD ON IN MICHIGAN

Traverse City, Mich., Jan. 15.—Scores of cities and towns in northern Michigan are isolated today by the worst blizzard that has visited this section in several years.

Zero temperatures and impassable snowdrifts put several communities in a serious predicament on account of coal shortage.

Practically all railroad traffic has been suspended since late Tuesday.

L. O. F. LODGE MEETS TONIGHT

The Elizabeth Lodge L. O. F. will meet tonight at seven-thirty. Installation of officers followed by a smoker.