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TROTSKY BARTERS JEWELS FOR ARMS

Correspondent of London Newspaper Says Deal Was Negotiated In East Prussia And Was Big One

London, Aug. 24.—The correspondent of the London Times insists that Trotsky visited East Prussia recently and arranged with representatives of the German government for ammunition in exchange for cash from the Russian jewel fund, which includes the Russian crown jewels.

The correspondent claims that a large traffic in arms took place in the neighborhood of Soldau.

HEAVY FIGHTING ON

London, Aug. 24.—The Bolsheviki are engaged in heavy fighting against the advancing Polish legions 75 miles northeast of Warsaw and 65 miles northwest of Brest-Litovsk, says a Moscow statement.

REDS ENTER GERMANY

Berlin, Aug. 24.—German border troops are calling for reinforcements because they are unable to control the increasing tide of Russian soldiers crossing the frontier to be interned, an Allenstein dispatch says.

Many Chinese are among the Red soldiers.

RED ARMY CAPTURED

Warsaw, Aug. 24.—The Poles announce that the bulk of the fourth Soviet army has been captured. The capture of Prsasnysz, 60 miles north of Warsaw, and Mlawa on the frontier is announced.

CHOWAN COLLEGE OPENS SEPT. 7

Old Students Returning And New Students Entering Will Rejoice In Wonderful Improvements

Murfreesboro, Aug. 24.—The new Chowan College is nearing completion. The date for the fall opening is fast drawing near.

September the seventh will be a busy day for Chowan College. The old girls will be returning and rejoicing over the wonderful improvements in the basement, the second floor, the third floor, and the fourth floor. The halls are beautiful. The floors are the best that could be laid. The stairway is no more. The archway to the new winding stairs gives grace and beauty to that part of the building. Every feature of the parlor is artistic. The president's office, facing the parlor, is a credit to the institution. The over-head plastering and absence of the exposed wiring, and the new fixtures for electric lights add charms to the structure. The bathrooms are no longer in the basement, but are up in the building. The convenience of the girls [illegible] library could hardly be made more attractive.

Every [illegible] halls—well there can be no [illegible] all to them. The girls [illegible] like the bird in the [illegible] society work. Just as [illegible] leads in her debates over [illegible] and the southern states, [illegible] Chowan expects her two literary societies to take the lead. The girls are ready, and it is observed [illegible] are going to make good and meet every expectation.

The finishing touches in the way of paint are being put upon the entire building. Surely no girls' college is more beautiful, and none with more modern equipment. Chowan College—"The College Beautiful"—is here for business. The enrollment is more than doubled what was expected, and every day brings new enrollments.

WANTED—TO RENT DWELLING house in good residential section of the city. Nothing less than six or seven rooms and bath will suit

Minstrels Pledge Support to Harding

Marion, O., Aug. 24.—A group of dramatic stars came today to present picturesquely their pledges of support to Harding.

Al Jonson was cast in the leading role to express the sentiments of the troupe in song and speech.

A parade through the town behind a hundred piece band before breakfast was a feature of their performance.

Charles E. Hughes was also on hand today to confer with the nominee.

BELFAST RIOTING WAS RENEWED LAST NIGHT

Belfast, Aug. 24.—Rioting here was renewed last night. The police and soldiers were called to disperse the crowds who were shooting and throwing stones.

URGES SOLUTION BY COMMON SENSE

Federal Electric Railways Commission Makes Report Today After Exhaustive Investigation

Washington, Aug. 24—Satisfactory solution of the problem presented by the electric street railway industry can be reached through application of principles of "ordinary economic and business common sense" is the unanimous opinion of seven men who composed the Federal Electric Railways Commission appointed by President Wilson in 1919.

The report of the commission, prepared after exhaustive hearings and examination of nearly 100 witnesses was made public today and says:

"The commission can go no further than to point out the principles upon which the readjustment should be based. The task really is that of the state and local authorities on one hand and of the companies on the other.

"Failure to rehabilitate the industry and the service is possible only if those upon whom the responsibility rests fail to undertake the work or pursue it in a spirit that makes settlement impossible."

In a summary of its conclusions and recommendations the commission said in part:

"The electric railway industry as it now exists is without [illegible] credit and [illegible] properly performed a public function.

"This condition is the result of early financial mismanagement, economic causes [illegible] existing high price levels of labor and materials and the failure of the uniform unit fare of five cents prescribed either by statute or by local franchise ordinances or contracts to provide the necessary revenues to pay operating costs and to maintain the property on a reasonable basis.

"The industry can be restored to a normal basis only by the introduction of economies in operation, improving its tracks, equipment and service and securing a reasonable return upon the fair value of its property used in public service when honestly and efficiently managed.

"Restoration of credit involves a readjustment of relations which will remove public antagonism, provoke public co-operation and insure the investor the integrity of his investment and a fair rate of return thereon."

Full co-operation of labor is essential to the prosperity and usefulness of the electric lines, the report says, adding that employes should receive a living wage and have humane hours and working conditions.

"They should have the right to deal effectively with their employers through representatives of their own selection. All labor disputes should be settled voluntarily or by arbitration and the award of such a board should be final and binding upon both parties."

"It is intolerable that the transportation service of a city should be subject to occasional paralysis, whether by strikes or lockouts."

A satisfactory solution of the problem of the industry cannot be reached without considering the fair valuation of the properties, the reports says. When this is done, it adds, companies should voluntarily reduce capitalization to the basis of that valuation.

FOR SALE— FOUR HOUSES ON Bell street. Practically new. Will sell for about half what they can be built for. Better investment could not be found. See M. G. Morrisette at

RATIFICATION IS CERTIFIED

Governor Roberts, of Tennessee, Granted Petition. Antis Charge Proceedings Out of Order

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 24.—Attorney General Thompson announces that Governor Roberts, of Tennessee, certified the Tennessee ratification of the suffrage amendment this morning, sending the certification to Secretary of State Colby by mail.

The petition for certierari and supersedeas was argued before Chief Justice Landsden of the Supreme Court at his residence last night and granted.

Thompson told the governor that the writ vacated the existing injunctions, and the certification followed.

Opponents of ratification charge that the proceedings violate the Supreme Court rules because the other side was not notified of the hearing.

Meanwhile the original injunction case is now in Supreme Court.

JIMMIE WILL PROVE CHARGES

Will Present His Information Next Thursday Night In Address at Pittsburgh He Declares Today

Dayton, Aug. 24.—Cox issued a statement today declaring that he would prove his charges regarding the magnitude of the Republican campaign fund.

He said that he would present this information in his address at Pittsburgh Thursday night.

"Have denied my charges about the campaign fund the senatorial oligarchy is trying. I am prepared to believe that he knows [illegible] of things going on [illegible] reveals the [illegible] I have been discussing," said Cox.

"DEAD RAT GANG" BETTER LOOK OUT

"The boys who have been leaving dead rats on neighbors' porches for the last few days picked the wrong house when they left one on my porch," said an Elizabeth City man this morning. "Already I have evidence," he continued, "to convict two members of the gang who are at this mischief, and I am going to leave no stone unturned to find out the rest of them and report them to the police."

It is explained that there is a dead rat gang who have been at this practice for some time to the exasperation of householders in the section in which the gang operates. People who have been victims of the practice think that it would not be healthy for the youngsters if they should be brought into court.

HARRISON—BLANKENSHIP

A pretty home wedding was quietly solemnized Monday afternoon at five o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lowery on [illegible] Street, when Mr. Lowery's sister, Mr. Maude [illegible] Harrison of Norfolk, and Mr. Maude [illegible] of Norfolk, were united in marriage.

The couple came from Norfolk, accompanied by the groom's father, Mr. C. T. Cooke, and the bride's brother, Mr. Cecil Brown. The ceremony was performed in the presence of members of the immediate family and the wedding party left on the afternoon train for Norfolk.

SILK HOSE SPECIAL

We were very fortunate in securing an extra good lot of silk hose, colors black, white and navy, plain and lace striped, to sell at the very special price of $1.50 a pair.

These hose are good $2.50 to $3.00 values, and you will do well to lay in a supply now at this unusually low price. M. Leigh Sheep

From Long Island To Nome, Alaska

Nome, Alaska, Aug. 24.—A United States airplane today completed the trip from Mineola, N. Y., to Nome.

The flying time was 55 hours.

STAGE FIST FIGHT IN STATE SENATE

Representatives of Cumberland Factions Join Mix-up When Breece Calls McNeill A Liar Monday

Raleigh, Aug. 24.—Cumberland county citizens, for and against a board of audit and finance for their county, staged a free-for-all fist fight in the senate chamber of the capitol yesterday afternoon when former Representative A. B. Breece called present Representative George McNeill a liar at a hearing before the committee on counties, cities and towns.

The Cumberland county folk had been granted the opportunity of presenting argument for and against a bill which would provide a board of audit composed of three members yesterday afternoon by the senate committee. After the preliminaries had been arranged providing for thirty minutes argument from each side the discussion was opened by Representative McNeill, who stated that while a candidate for renomination he pledged the Cumberland voters that in the event he was returned to the lower house a bill such as he had introduced would be enacted if his efforts could be counted upon. Following this pledge, he stated, the court house "ring" immediately arrayed themselves against him and succeeded in defeating him by a narrow margin, a second primary being necessary to do so. Petitions asking for a board of audit for the county were circulated and presented through the press, Representative McNeill stated.

Leading the fight against the passage of the bill was former Representative Breece, who told the committee that there was no popular demand for a board of audit, that the voters of the county had expressed themselves as opposed to the bill in the recent primaries when Representative McNeill was defeated and he urged that the bill be reported unfavorably since only the minority faction was sponsoring it. He was supported by C. J. Cooper in [illegible]

At the conclusion of Mr. Breece's remarks Representative McNeill asked permission to propound a question. The permission was accorded and he became the questioner.

"Didn't you receive as a contribution for the primary?"

"I haven't got anything to do with this matter," replied the witness.

"Didn't you register twenty men [illegible] between the primaries?" Representative McNeill queried.

"No, I didn't."

"You told me you did."

"You're a liar!"

The fight was then on. Representative McNeill rushed across the chamber to the center of the aisle and struck Mr. Breece with his fist somewhere in the general direction of the face. The men grappled and although our weighed, the Cumberland representative upheld his end of the battle remarkably well.

Supporters of the two champions joined in the melee, at first apparently for the purpose of separating the contestants, but the fuss went more than they had anticipated and within a dozen seconds the room was resounded by Chairman [illegible] Principals in the scrimmage were Captain James D. McNeill, brother of the representative, and Mr. [illegible] of the proponents of the measure. Mr. Breece was [illegible] by his friend, Mr. [illegible] Chairman [illegible] for order [illegible] to hold the combatants and order was finally restored with the assistance of the sergeant at arms. Senator Stacy moved that the argument be stopped and that the committee go into executive session. The motion carried and the chamber was cleared of all persons except members of the committee.

With the smoke of battle cleared somewhat, a substitute bill was drawn providing for an audit for Cumberland county, the board of commissioners to have authority to employ the auditor or auditors at a cost not to exceed $5,000. The audit must begin within 30 days and will cover the period beginning with

France Gives All Credit to Wilson

Says President's Recent Note to Italy Responsible For "Change of Attitude of British and Italian Pretitude" of British and Italian Premiers

Paris, Aug. 24.—The French Foreign Office announced today that it regarded the new attitude taken by Premiers Lloyd George and Gioletti, concerning Russia and Poland, as due entirely to the American note to Italy.

The communication to France from the British and Italian premiers is regarded as in accord with the position of the United States and France that Poland would endanger her independence if she accepted the Soviet terms.

"The government of Poland," the statement says, "is based on the choice of the whole adult male population of the country without distinction of class, and this so-called civic army is to be drawn from one class only, which is referred to in the fourth condition of the Soviet terms, is only an indirect method of organizing a force to overthrow by violence this democratic institution and substitute for it the despotism of a so-called few who may have absorbed the doctrines of Bolshevism.

"We cannot help apprehending that when the detailed conditions of the conjunction of terms—kept back as they are now—are revealed later on, they will be found to be molded on the plan of the Russian Red army. For one nation to insist as a condition of peace with another that the force organized for the protection of life, property and good order in the latter country shall be drawn from only one class of its citizens, to the exclusion of all others, is an unwarranted infringement of the liberty, independence and self respect of that country.

Breach of Faith

"To have added such a condition after Kamenieff's pledge to the government that nothing [illegible] was [illegible] in the summary of the terms [illegible] breach of faith and negotiation of any kind with a power [illegible] which [illegible] difficult if not impossible.

"The Soviet government has rejected the suggestion by the British government for a truce under conditions which would have constituted Russian territory [illegible] any act of aggression and has continued its course of invasion of ethnographical Polish territory with a view to a conquest of that country by force of arms for Soviet principles.

"If the Soviet, notwithstanding the punishment which the aggression is encountering, still refuses to withdraw this sinister proposal, but continues the war inside Polish territory in order to force its acceptance on the Polish people, no free government can either acknowledge or deal with the Soviet oligarchy.

Ought to Teach Wisdom

"What has befallen in this horrible war on the invaders of national rights, whether in Russia or in England, ought to teach wisdom to aggressors. The world wants and would pay dearly for peace but peace is only attainable on the basis of full recognition of liberties [illegible]

"Civilization [illegible] weighed by the [illegible] of [illegible] welfare of mankind [illegible] The British and French governments therefore are moved to urge that every effort should be made to bring to a cessation the existing conditions of strife between nations."

SHIP CARPENTERS ARE ON STRIKE

Walkout Friday Follows Alleged Employment of Non Union Labor By Elizabeth City Shipyard

A strike of the carpenters employed at the plant of the Elizabeth City Shipyard is on this week with no end in sight. The carpenters walked out last Friday.

Employment by the shipyard of non union labor is the cause of complaint alleged by the strikers, who have presented Mr. Cotter, president of the shipyard, the following demands in writing.

"1—We demand that you as president of the Elizabeth City Shipyard Company recognize the rules and regulations of Union 2050, the carpenters' organization of Elizabeth City.

"2—We demand the union scale of wages with Norfolk brotherhoods as the standard basis.

"3—We demand that the union shall have the right to grade and rate carpenters according to their skill and ability.

"4—If the above demands approve your consideration, then we demand your signature to same, and we carpenters of Union No. 2050 will return to work."

"If our terms are not met," said [illegible] Tuesday morning, "then we feel [illegible] the [illegible] of the union are available [illegible] building operations in Elizabeth City.

[illegible] said he had not seen the paper presented such as the carpenters which he characterized as a "[illegible]." He explained that the Buxton Wilson Company recently awarded his company the contract for completing the steel steamer which has been partially rebuilt at the Buxton Wilson docks. In this connection Mr. Cotter says that he was requested to use some of the men who had been in the employ of the Buxton Wilson company, that he submitted the question to the proper representative of the unions represented at his plant and was given assurance of their acquiescence in the matter on Thursday, that on Friday a representative of the carpenters union informed him that the men would not go to work unless a certain man was displaced. That he assured the [illegible] that if the men would go back to work the matter would be adjusted by [illegible] that the men refused to go to work and [illegible] to work since.

NOTICE TO PATRONS

[illegible] schools open September [illegible] parents [illegible] required [illegible] that all vaccination be accepted and while the vaccination may be deferred until November 1st. This often means that there is much time lost during the period of smallpox.

S. L. SHEEP,
Superintendent.

Aug. 24, 25, 26 nfd

FARM FOR SALE

3 1-4 miles from town—60 acre farm, 50 acres cleared and in cultivation. The adjoining land to this farm cannot be bought for $300 an acre. Near schools and very desirable neighborhood. Price $10,500. I will be glad to show you the farm if you want a No. 1 farm.—Harry M. Seeley, 318 Hinton Building Phone

WANT ADS

FOR SALE— FOUR HOUSES ON Bell street. Practically new. Will sell for about half what they can be built for. Better investment could not be found. See M. G. Morrisette, at Main Street Furniture Store. 19tf

FORD TOURING CAR FOR SALE— Practically new in good condition. Apply to 538 Beech street. Call for