

WEATHER

Unsettled with local thundershowers tonight or Friday. Little change in temperature.

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American Government Is Anxious To Participate

Although This May Not Appear On The Surface, The United States Is Ready To Send A Representative To The Hague To Discuss Russian Affairs

By DAVID LAWRENCE (Copyright 1922 by The Advance)

Washington, May 17.—Although on the surface it may seem as if the United States has again refused to co-operate with European powers, the truth is the Government here is not only ready but anxious to participate in a conference on Russian affairs.

From the White House itself comes the information that the American Government stands ready today to send a representative to the Hague or anywhere else to discuss the Russian question and that if the powers will modify their proposal so as to remove features objectionable to this country, American co-operation can be assured.

President Harding feels that the door is open for American help and wants it clearly understood. The Department of State significantly enough went into details today in explaining what appeared to be a discrepancy between the informal statements of Ambassador Child in Genoa and the action of the American Government in declining the invitation to the Hague conference.

Before he could do so the invitation of the powers with the specific proposals concerning the Hague conference were cabled. This of course looked merely like a shifting of the Genoa conference itself to the Hague and again the American Government felt that it would be involving itself in political controversies.

But both President Harding and Secretary Hughes believe much can be accomplished if the Russian question is treated as an economic matter and if the Russians will respect private rights and property and thus afford a basis for economic dealings with other nations.

The American reply is intended as a piece of moral suasion it being hoped that the powers will be able to persuade the Russians that the giving of American help will be seriously considered in Washington just as soon as an economic basis can be achieved which will warrant the United States in extending its hand.

The readiness of President Harding to participate in a conference of the powers on Russian matters is in itself the first indication of an affirmative action in a European question. The United States does not wish to dictate the conditions and had hoped that the powers would reach an agreement to recognize Russia and that the United States would follow suit.

LITTLE CHILD DEAD Margaret Carolyn, the six months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jones, died at the home in Norfolk Thursday morning at six o'clock.

Is Largest Tanker Ever To Dock Here

The "Texaco 145," the largest oil tanker that has ever been in Elizabeth City harbor, docked Thursday morning at the Texas Company wharves on East Fearing street with a cargo of a little more than 250,000 gallons of gasoline and crude oil.

The tanker left Norfolk Wednesday morning, and made the trip to this city through the Inland Waterway, stopping for the night at Long Point. It is propelled by oil-burning engines, and motors of 75 horsepower are used in the transfer of the oil cargo from the tanker's four storage compartments to stationary tanks or smaller tank ships.

Wages Campaign Against Tipping Chicago, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—A formal campaign against tipping with severe penalties for tipper and tippee was started today by Olympia Fields Club, said to have the largest membership of any golf club in the world.

Feminine Candidate In Gates Begins To Look Like Winner Indications are now that Miss Ethel Parker, Gates County's feminine Democratic candidate for the Legislature, has excellent prospects to win over the two rival male candidates for the office.

BEGGED THAT FRIENDS BE KEPT IN CONGRESS Hot Springs, Ark., May 18 (By The Associated Press)—The temperance committee in a report to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, called upon the members of the church today to keep friends of Federal prohibition in Congress.

Woman Mail Carrier Attacked And Slain Davisboro, Ga., May 18 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. Elizabeth Kitchens, a mail carrier, was shot and killed today by two negroes who attacked her when she stopped to place a letter in a farm house box.

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BAPTISTS ADMIT WOMEN ON THE VARIOUS BOARDS Jacksonville, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—Women were admitted to membership on the executive committee and various boards of the Southern Baptist Convention today.

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CANAL PURCHASE IS NOT FAVORED

Chairman House Rivers And Harbors Committee Intimates Opposition To Project

Washington, May 18 (Special)—At an executive meeting of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee this morning former Representative John H. Small urged that when the Rivers and Harbors Bill comes up in the House today, the committee move an amendment to the bill for the purchase of the Dismal Swamp Canal.

Historic Hospital Destroyed By Fire Rome, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—A disastrous fire swept the historic hospital of Sante Spirite today. Sixteen bodies were recovered. Others were badly burned.

Winfred Hudnut To Rejoin Valentino Los Angeles, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—Winfred Hudnut boarded the train for New York today. It is reported in motion picture circles that her departure followed an agreement with Rodolph Valentino that they live apart until his divorce from Jean Acker becomes final and then re-marry.

WILD NIGHT IN BELFAST Belfast, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—At least four are dead and others are wounded as a result of a wild night of firing in the Marrowbone district with the police and soldiers battling with gunmen.

FUNERAL OF INFANT The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis, who live on Center street, died Tuesday and was buried Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Wood House Is Burned The wood house of George Fearing, on Cedar street, was practically destroyed by fire late Wednesday afternoon.

Famous Southern Woman Dies At Asbury Park, N. J. Asbury Park, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. Jane Bowly, who served as a Confederate dispatch bearer during the Civil War, died at her summer home here today in her ninety-third year.

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Announcement

In the next two or three days we expect to complete the rebuilding of the boiler room at our plant, the installation of two new boilers, and the erection of a 100-foot stack.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT CO. OF ELIZABETH CITY

Ladies' Building Is Urged For The Fair

Heretofore No Place For Feminine Visitors To Go For A Rest During Stay At Grounds

A convenience that few fairs provide, but that is needed on every fair ground in the United States, is a building for the feminine visitors that form a large percentage of the attendance at every fair.

POSTPONE CLOSING DATE ON THE BIDS By reason of certain necessary minor modifications in the plans for the new Elizabeth City High School, the closing date upon which bids for the work will be received has been set forward from May 25 to a date not yet specified.

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PACT IS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Each Nation Represented At Genoa Agrees To Respect Agreement

Genoa, May 18 (By The Associated Press)—A non-aggression pact was adopted unanimously at a plenary meeting of the political sub-commission of the conference today.

Cubs Capture Clean And Clever Contest Wednesday's game between the Red Men and the Cubs was as fine an exhibition of baseball as the game on the preceding day had been rotten.

Hold Red Men Scoreless And Waltz Home With Winning Run In The Seventh Inning (By Ralph Pool)

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