

NEW YEAR IS USHERED IN WITH REVELRY THAT CONTINUES TILL DAYLIGHT

(By The Associated Press) NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Celebration of the advent of the New Year continued until dawn in the hotels and restaurants...

While unnumbered thousands paraded the thoroughfare with all sorts of noise makers, other thousands who with foresightfulness had purchased stocks of wines and liquors before July 1 were making merry in the hotels and restaurants...

The celebration was not confined to places of merriment. The chimes of hundreds of churches rang out as of old at midnight, while thousands of whistles shrieked an accompaniment.

Many thousands attended watch night meetings in the churches. A chorus of 1800 voices sang at Madison Square Garden, while a pageant was presented.

CHICAGO HITS 'EM UP AT HIGH RATE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Chicago's husky young New Year nursed last night on hip pocket bottles, showed no signs of being as dry as congress and the supreme court had forecast.

Cafes became cafeterias last night and serve yourself service proved adequate to produce all the traditional joys of the new year welcome.

Illinois search and seizure law, which prohibits movement of liquor even across the street went by the boards. Hip-pocket flasks were fashionable, but thirstier ones transported their select private stocks to downtown eating places in suit cases, baskets, golf bags, and in one case even a trunk was used.

Police threats of enforcements of the drastic search law failed of execution. Glum-faced detectives, assigned to watch the downtown cafes, stood idly by and with envious eye watched the contraband liquor disappear.

PRODUCTION, ESPECIALLY IN TEXTILES, RESUMED IN HALF THE FACTORIES OF NORTHERN FRANCE

(By The Associated Press.) LILLE, Jan. 1.—Production has been resumed in about one half of the factories of northern France, where the outbreak of the war paralyzed industry and where battles raged for four years.

Of this number, however, about thirteen per cent have been at work only a month. Figures examined today by the correspondent of The Associated Press, who is visiting the war zone under a special dispensation of the government, showed that in this region 30,000 plants employing 800,000 workers, were razed by gunfire, looted or badly disorganized.

There has been a noticeable increase in the resumption of plants, especially those turning out textiles, during the last few weeks, but it is estimated it will take three years for the majority of the principal trades such as glass making, wood working and sugar refining to resume production on a normal scale.

A recent patent covers a motor driven sled that is propelled by a spiked drum.

TESTIMONY IN AND ARGUMENTS BEGIN TODAY

In Trial of W. C. Hall, Prohibition Inspector, Charged With Killing Lawrence Hudson — Case May Go to Jury Before Night.

(By The Associated Press.) MANASSAS, Va., Jan. 1.—With all testimony completed, arguments of the attorneys will begin today in the trial of W. C. Hall, prohibition inspector charged with killing Lawrence Hudson, last March.

Hall took the stand in his own defense yesterday and testified that he believed both Hudson and his companion, Raymond Shackelford, were killed by bullets fired from his revolver.

Joe Williams, chauffeur of the officer's car, completed his testimony in which he said he had taken no part in the shooting and was unarmed at the time.

RHINE RIVER FLOODS AMERICAN ARMY PROPERTY

(By The Associated Press.) COBLENZ, Tuesday, Dec. 30.—Lower parts of this city are flooded by the rising water of the Rhine, the river being at the highest stage in the past 40 years.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—The flood in the Seine has risen nearly three feet more and the depth of the river at present exceeds that fixed in official estimates.

NANTES, FRANCE, Jan. 1.—Barracks containing large stocks of American army munitions were destroyed by fire here last night.

SUMMONS ISSUED FOR RETURN MISS SUMMIT

Lady, Who Implicated Mrs. Cecil Vester Is Recalled as Witness — Camp Custer Soldier May Testify.

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Jan. 1.—A summons was issued today for the return here of Miss Gladys Summit, of Battle Creek, whose story to authorities implicating her room mate, Mrs. Cecil Vester, caused a warrant to be issued for the latter charging complicity in the murder of J. Stanley Brown.

Officers said Ben Sorenson, a soldier at Camp Custer, might also be requested to testify at the hearing.

Lloyd Prevost, cousin of the slain man's widow, who has several times been questioned by the authorities, was taken into custody this morning.

CAROLINA ALUMNI HAD SMOKER LAST NIGHT

Annual Holiday Event Well Attended and Highly Enjoyed — Prof. Frank P. Graham Principal Speaker— To hold Semi-Annual Meetings Hereafter — New Officers Chosen.

The annual get-together meeting of the Gaston County Club and the Gaston County Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina was held last night in the lobby of the Central graded school.

Prof. Joe S. Wray, president of the association, acted as toastmaster. After a brief speech of welcome Messrs. Ray Armstrong, David Houser, A. C. Linberger, Jr., and C. T. Boyd were called upon for a few words.

The principal talk of the evening was made by Mr. Frank P. Graham, dean of the student body and a member of the department of history.

At the conclusion of the smoker a short business meeting of the association was held. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, A. E. Wolitz; vice-president, C. H. Sloan; secretary-treasurer, E. R. Rankin.

82 LYNCHINGS IN U. S. DURING PAST YEAR

Annual Summary From Tuskegee Institute Shows 77 Lynchings in Southern States — Seven Whites Among Number.

(By The Associated Press.) TUSKEGEE, Ala., Jan. 1.—Lynchings in the United States during the last year numbered 82, of which 77 were in the southern states, according to Tuskegee University's annual summary published today.

Twenty-one persons were lynched in Georgia, according to the summary, twelve each in Mississippi and Arkansas; seven each in Alabama and Louisiana; five in Florida; four in Texas; three in North Carolina; two each in West Virginia, Colorado and Missouri, and one each in Nebraska, South Carolina, Tennessee, Washington and Kansas.

GASTONIA YOUNG MEN FORM YARN AGENCY

Earl E. Groves leaves tonight, for Philadelphia, Pa., where he and Mr. Fred S. Wetzell will form a yarn agency early in January for handling all kinds of cotton yarns.

AWAITING REPORTS OF DEATHS FROM WOOD ALCOHOL

Authorities Throughout United States Expect to Hear of Wave of Deaths From Drinking Poisonous Whiskey.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Jan. 1.— Authorities throughout the country today awaited reports from new year's revelers for confirmation or refutation of their predictions that the wave of deaths from wood alcohol poisoning which took a toll of approximately 125 lives during the Christmas holidays, would be repeated.

Early today there was slight evidence that celebrators of the arrival of the new year had profited by knowledge gained of the effects of drinking outlawed liquor.

Chicago, Mass., and the Connecticut valley, with 50 deaths, today still led all localities that suffered from the Christmas flood of fake whiskey.

In New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Memphis, Tenn., New Haven, Conn., and a number of other cities alleged sellers of the poisonous liquors were under arrest.

LORAY MOONLIGHT SCHOOL BEGINS MONDAY

A "moonlight school" will open Monday, the 5th, in the West graded school building. It will be operated under the joint auspices of the State and the Loray Mill management and will be supervised by Miss Idalia Provan.

While the main purpose of moonlight schools is to afford educational advantages to the adult illiterate it is also a night school for young people who work in the day time and would otherwise be denied school advantages.

HARVARD-OREGON CONTEST THIS AFTERNOON

Both Crimson and Lemon Players Confident of Victory — Immense Crowd Will See Game.

(By The Associated Press.) PASADENA, CAL., Jan. 1.—Neither the Harvard eleven nor the lemon-clad players from Oregon lacked backers, morally or financially, today before their clash at 2:30 o'clock at Tournament Park, but for several neutral-minded persons to decide on a probable winner apparently had proved an impossible effort.

On one point all apparently were agreed, that both elevens would enter the game "full of fighting spirit."

Ticket speculators were up and doing early, although their activities were checked somewhat by the rapid depletion of their wares and the vigilance of federal agents waiting to arrest any unwary enough to ply their trade without turning over to the government the full amount of the tax exacted on all amusement tickets.

Prevailing prices here and at the downtown hotels in Los Angeles were \$12.50 for \$3.50 tickets. All of these today were believed to have been sold, however, and \$20, \$25 and even \$50 for the choicest was demanded this morning by some.

(By The Associated Press.) DETROIT, Jan. 1.—Jewelry valued at more than \$25,000 was stolen from the home of Griffith O. Ellis, in the fashionable Indian Village section last night, according to a report to the police today.

1920 WILL BE OPEN SEASON FOR BOLSHEVISTS AND NO QUARTER WILL BE SHOWN

DR. SCHOTT IS OUT UNDER \$8,000 BOND

Louisville Physician, Charged With Murder Miss Griffith, Enjoys Freedom — Grand Jury Will Investigate Jan. 9.

(By The Associated Press.) LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 1.— Christopher G. Schott, local physician who is charged with murder of Miss Elizabeth Ford Griffith, his office assistant, enjoyed freedom today.

He was released from jail last night on \$8,000 bond, provided by friends, pending investigation by a grand jury on January 9. Preliminary trial yesterday in police court was mostly to hearing testimony of witnesses for the prosecution.

Police announced last night that they were guarding the home of William J. Ryan, principal witness for the prosecution, following receipt of a letter threatening death for his participation in the trial.

Committee Meeting.

A very important meeting of the general committee in charge of the Forward Movement of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod is being held here today.

REMARKABLE SOUTH CAROLINA WOMAN DEAD

Both Husband and Wife Illiterate Manage to Educate All of 18 Children — One a Professor, Another a Minister.

(By Associated Press.) ANDERSON, S. C., Jan. 1.—Eighty-four years old, mother of 18 children, all of whom reached maturity and 12 of whom survive her, Mrs. Harriet Vaughn Vermilion, of Donalds, Abbeville county, dropped dead Christmas day, according to news just received here.

Although she and her husband both were comparatively illiterate, they managed to educate all their children, one son being a college professor and another a minister.

AMERICAN BUSINESS FEELS MENACE IN HIGH PRICES, HIGH LIVING AND REDUCED PRODUCTION

WASHINGTON OBSERVES NEW YEAR'S DAY QUIETLY

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—New Year's day was quietly observed here today. In official circles there was the usual round of social functions although at the white house there was no formal celebration because of the illness of the president.

The New Year received a noisy welcome last night from crowds on the streets but there were no public or formal celebrations other than the church and home watch parties and balls.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.— The year 1920 will be an "open season" for bolshevists, anarchists and kindred radicals, who are in this country with the idea of overthrowing the government.

The attorney general declared that agents of the department had traced directly to this element 75 per cent of the unrest in the country.

The bolshevist movement does not represent the radicalism of progress, Mr. Palmer declared, but introduces dictatorships by force and violence and is distinctly a criminal and dishonest scheme instead of a movement of liberty-loving persons.

WILSON'S NAME WILL NOT APPEAR ON BALLOT

(By The Associated Press.) PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 1.—The name of President Wilson will not appear on the March primary ballot of South Dakota with party indorsement, according to announcement from the secretary of state's office today.

PASTOR PRESENTED WITH AUTOMOBILE.

At the prayer service held at the First Baptist church on Christmas eve the pastor, Rev. W. C. Barrett, was presented with an Essex automobile, the gift of members of his congregation.

A City (?) Captured.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The capture of Yekaterinoslav, on the southern Russian front, and Novomoskovsk, 15 miles of Yekaterinoslav, is announced in a bolshevik official statement issued today.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.— American business feels anxious over what the future holds, the federal reserve board announced in its review of December business conditions.

The continued advance in prices, the reduction in production and the high cost of living are regarded as a commercial menace.

Although the retail trade showed great activity and wholesalers and manufacturers are piled with orders, the growth in business, the report said, was in terms of dollars and not in production.

Uncertainty as to the developments of the next three months in retarding expansion in trade, the report added, as cautious manufacturers were said to be inclined not to commit themselves far into the future.

Labor unrest showed some abatement during the month, but the idleness of workmen was considered a greater problem than systematic strikes.

The housing congestion was expected to be relieved by the increase in construction, which the report predicted would be stimulated by a decrease in the value of raw sites.