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**ORGANIZATION MEETING** 

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DOVER, Del., March 23-Whether the en of America will participate in forthcoming presidential primaries in the November actional election nd in the November as provided in the proposed amendment to the federal constitution apparently rested today with the Delaware legisla-ture in extraordinary session here. Thirty-five of the thirty-six states necessary for the ratification of the amendment have acted favorably and should the action of the Delaware b cagainst it the suffragists would have but slight chance of winning before next winter as no other legislature will convene in regular session until that time.

Both the suffragists and those opposed to the ratification of the amendment have made a hard fight in Delaware and both sides today appeared confident of victory. Notwithstanding the support received by the suffragists from the national leaders of both the democratic and republican parties, the anti-suffragists declare the amendment will be defeated.

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NEW YORK, March 23-Claims of anti-suffragists that the Anthony amendment to the constitution, if ratified, would be ineffective in states where state constitutions restrict suffrage to ""male" citizens until such constitutions had been amended, are erroneous, according to an option obtained from Charles E. Hughes, former justice of the United States supreme court, by the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Judge Hughes also advised the association that in his opinion claims that the amend-ment in any case would confer only the right to vote for senators and representatives was equally erroneous.

Pointing to the similarity in verbiage of the Anthony amendment and the fifteenth amendment extending suffrage to negroes, Mr. Hughes said:

"If the suffrage amendment is duly

# **AMERICAN LEGION READY** FOR "FRIENDLY ATTACK"

WASHINGTON, March 23. - Mem bers of the executive committee of the American Legion were concentrating forces today for a "friendly attack" on congress in behalf of pending soldier relief measures.

The committee yesterday adopted a composite bill it will present to the house ways and means committee tomorrow carrying a proposal to pay adjusted compensation to former service men and women at the rate of \$1.50 for each day of service and embodying provisions for privileged land settlement, home pullding aid and vocational training.

#### AMERICAN LEGION FOR \$1.50 FOR EVERY DAY OF SERVICE DURING WAR

Compensation Proposal Put Up to Congress by Executive Committee - Previous Vote Reversed.

WASHINGTON, March 22-The executive committee of the American legion tonight put up to Congress the proposal to pay adjusted compensation to former service men and women at the rate of \$1.50 for every day of service.

This action reversed a previous vote taken by the committee which recorded 37 state representatives in favor of the legislative committees plan for eash relief at \$1 a day, which was adopted as a substitute for the original proposal of \$50 a month. The committee's determination to boost relief followed a general review of a composite bill which the legion will present to the house ways and means committee Wednesday, including privileged land settlement, home building aid and extension of vocational training.

All provisions of the bill, except the award of cash based on the period of service, were adopted unanimously. Strong opposition developed tonight, however, to Dr. J. H. Henderlite Preaches Strong Sermon on Value of Good Reading — Printed Word Is More Effective Than Spoken Word — Sermon Ap-propriate in Connection With Library Movement.

GOOD READING

GIVE ATTENTION TO

strikingly appropriate sermon was delivered Supnday morning at the First Presbyterian church by the pastor, Dr. J. H. Henderlite, on the subject of reading. In connection with the campaign now being waged in Gastonia for bette library facilities for the reading public of Gastonia and Gaston county, the se mon was very timely and fitting. "Th printed word is more appealing than th spoken word," declared Dr. Hende lite, "and the editor, author and th writer of books wield a powerful infl ence in the world."

Taking as his text Paul's injunction Timothy to "give attention to reading, Dr. Henderlite pointed out the pleasur and benefit that are to be gotten out o books. According to the inscription over the library at Thebes, books are 'medicine, to the soul.'' Milton says "A good book is the precious life-blood of a master spirit, embalmed and treasured up on purpose to a life beyond life." Books, magazines and the daily press render one independent of time and space. His life is lengthened out to cover all the past, and instead of being tied to one spot he can roam over the whole earth. Lowell said, "Have you ever rightly considered what the mere ability to read means? That it is the key which admits us to the whole realm of thought and fancy and imagination? To the company of saint and sage, of the wisest and wittiest at their wisest and wittiest moment? That it enables us to see with the keenest eyes, hear with the finest ears, and listen to the sweetest voices of all time? More than that, it annihilates time and space for us.' Herbert Spencer, "Reading is seeing by books enable us to call up the shades of the greatest and wisest men that ever existed and compel them to converse with us on the most interesting topics. "In books we have the choicest thoughts of the ablest men in their best dress.' Carlyle styled a collection of books the true university for these days.

The printed page wields a tremendous influence. It enables a man to multiply himself a million fold and speak to great Champion Cotton Mills Organ-ized With Capital Stock of \$600,000 — Will have 10,-000 Producing Spindles — Officers Elected and Site Purchased.

Correspondence The Daily Gazette. ALLAS, March 23. So complete was the organization at la t night's meeting, that if a little play had been given to the imagination, one could almost hear the whistle bloc at big Champron Cotone could almost hear ton Mill at Dallas.

The business men of the rown turned out in mass and a goodly representation from other towns was also present. As Col. C. B. Armstrong rose he made the remark that he didn't remember of ever having a minister attend a meeting of this sort although they were not barred from such, and before proceeding Rev. W. S. Hamiter pastor of the Presbyterian church, was asked to lead in prayer and such an impressive one was offered it will no doubt be remembered in the transaction of all future business in connection with this enterprise.

All minds having been made up previously it was a matter of only short duration until the organization of the mill was complete with 10,000 spindles capitalized at \$600,000, this carrying by a unanimous vote. The following directors were elected; L. D. Gribble, R. S. Lewis, L. M. Hoffman, Jr., J. F. Puett, Dr S. A. Wilkins, Col. C. B. Armstrong, A. K. Wingate, C. C. Armstrong and A. G. Myers. The annual meeting of the stockholders is to be held the 3rd Tuesday in January unless otherwise notified.

A directors' meeting was held immediately following the organization with Dr. S. A. Wilkins as chairman and the following officers were elected: Col. C. B. Armstrong, president; L. M. Hoffman, Jr., vice-president; A. K. Winget, Sec.-Treas.; with C. C. Armstrong as assistant. A suggestion was made to select a committee to look after a suitable site, but by the forethought of Dr. S. A. Wilkins, J. F. Puett and R. S. Lewis, a tract of land lying one mile north of the center of Dallas, consisting of 132 acres was already purchased and offered to the mill at \$100 per acré. This met with the approval of all And this matter was then settled. The president and treasurer were authorized to take immediate steps toward a beginning. This really marks an epoch in the history of

MIDDLESBORO, KY., March 23. Harlan county, Kentucky, on the Ken tucky-West Virginia border, was the scene of much excitement today. Bands of miners were searching the county for operatives of a detective agency who are alleged to have started a fight at Wallins Creek Saturday night with miners, which resulted in the killing of three persons and wounding of several others.

**KENTUCKY COUNTY STAGES** 

WHOLESALE FIGHT

OF CHAMPION MILLS GOVERNMENT CONTROL

**OVER MAXIMUM PRICE OF** 

BITUMINOUS COALSIS

WITHDRAWN BY WHLSON

The clash was the outgrowth of ill feeling said to have existed in the Harlan county coal fields because of importation last week of a group of detectives by the Kentucky Steam Coal Company, where a strike is on.

The dead are: Bud Taylor, miner; Deputy Sheriff John Burkes, and James Hall, detective. The names of the several wounded could not be ascertained.

An attempt by detective Hall to arrest a son of Bud Taylor at a Wallins Creek mining camp precipitated the battle, it was said. When Hall tried to take the boy into custody, the elder Taylor interferred. In a duel following, Hall and the elder Taylor were killed. Other miners and guards rushed to the scene and a general fight ensued during which Deputy Sheriff Burke was killed. More than a hundred shots were fired. The fighting stopped when the detectives retreated. The guards later were sent back to West Virginia by the mining company.

Miners of the county, numbering several hundred, are reported armed with rifles and pistols and searching for any of the guardsmen remaining in the county.

(By The Aspeiated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 23 -Government control over the maximum price of bituminous obal was withdrawn today by President Wilson, effective April 1.

At the same time the President wrote the operators and miners transmitting the majority report of the coal commission and informing them that this report was "the basis upon which the wage schedule agreements between the mine workers and operators shall be made." April 1 is the date on which these agreements normally would become effactive and by removing government control of prices effective that day the president paves the way for increased coal prices to absorb the average 27 per cent increase recommended in the majority report.

The president wrote the operators and miners that it was "essential to the public welfare that the agreements be concluded at the earliest date practicable so that the uncertainty as to the fuel supply may be ended and that the con ers may be able to make contracts for their coal supply."

The president said he assumed that neither party would raise any question and that he was sure that no question could properly be raised as to the binding character of the award by the majority of the commission, notwithstanding the fact that it was not unanimous.

The executive order withdrawing government control or prices removes virtually all government control of coal, placing the fuel administration in the status that it was before its authority was restored when the miners struck last November 1.

The president said there was no provision of law for fixing new coal prices for peace time purposes and that "unless and until some grave emergency shall arise, which in my judgment has tion to the emergency purposes of the Lever act, I would not feel justified in fixing coal prices with reference to future conditions of production." The majority report of the commission said the 27 per cent increase absorbed the 14 per cent increase allowed when the miners returned to work and that in dollars it would approximate \$200,000,000 a year. In refusing the demand of the miner for a 30-hour week, the majority of the commission said that if the work day were shortened by one hour it would be equivalent to an additional cost of more than \$100,000,000. The majority report of John P. White, the miners' representative, held out for a higher increase for all day labor and monthly men than were granted by the majority, but he concurred in the recommendation for a 24 per cent per ton increase on picks and machine mining. His report was transmitted to the operators and miners by the president for their in formation.

that the amendment will be immediately self-executing and will render invalid and therefore ineffective any existing provision in any state constitution or statute establishing a suffrage disquali-Scation solely on the ground of sex. \* Further, the amendment, in my judgment, will apply to all elections and not simply to the election of senators and members of the house of representa-



LONDON, March 22-Latest reports from Germany show that state and goverament troops are concentrating near Wesel to move against the extensive districts now occupied by communists, says a Botterdam despatch to the London Times. On the other hand, the communiets are mobilizing after the method of the Russians with great speed, and it is impossible to prophecy the issue of the coming battle, or when it will be fought. The communists are hampered by a lack of food, one report saying they have supplies for only three days, and that when this is consumed it is antisipated they will proceed to rob the country districts.

The despatch quotes a message from a correspondent of the Telegraaf describing the conquest of Essen by the communsts. , As far back as Thursday, he says, there were fights between the red and government soldiers in the suburbs of Essen, but the city itself continued quiet and normal. The strike had been declared off, and everybody there had resumed work.

On Friday morning there were rumore of an advance by the workers' army from Bochum and Gelsenkirchen and the government troops were drawn up on the outskirts of the town visiting for the advance. Spartacist units, at a pre-arranged signal, overcame the sen-tinels and heavy fighting ensued, a number being killed, some estimates placing the losses at 150. One section of government troops became panic stricken and threw away its arms, but retreated in good order to Wesel. At one o'clock the red fing was hoisted over the town hall. Hesen is now menaced by famine, the correspondent says.

COLBY IS SWORN IN.

WASHINGTON, March 23. - Bain bridge Colby was sworn in today as secre tary of state, succeeding Robert Lansing who resigned six weeks ago.

-Gardening time sysin.

ratified so as to become a part of the the \$50 a month plan, and by a vote of federal constitution, I am of the opinion 35 to 14, the demand was fixed at \$1.50 a day.

#### 70,000 HEAR ATTACKS **ON "PUSSY FOOTISM."**

CARDIFF, WALES, March 23. - Sev-

enty thousand persons gathered at Porth, near here, yesterday, and listened to attacks by five speakers on "Pussy Footism," according to the Westminster Gazette. To the sound of the bugte, a resolution was passed, threatening direct action if the government attempted to continue war time liquor restrictions. One speaker, a unionist candidate for

parliament, said that Lady Astor, who recently made an address in the house of ommons in favor of prohibition, was a prohibition missionary.

COMMUNIST ARMY NUMBER 10,000. COPENHAGEN, March 22. - A despatch to the Berlinske Tidende from Berlin says the communist army in Westphalia aggregates fully 10,000 men who are equipped with mine throwers, armored cars and machine guns. The army ts being constantly reinforced. It already holds about a dozen towns.

SOCIALISTS STRENGTHEN FORCES. DUSSELDORF, March 23. - Small squads of independent socialists, wearing red brassards and having army refles slung over their shoulders, are arriving here to strengthen the forces, numbering several thousand men, which are holding this city, while awaiting a threatened attack from government troops. The red army, in which many communists have enlisted, is now drilling near the town. Socialist forces are patrolling the streets, but are not molesting the public. No disorders were reported today.

The people of Dusseldorf, expect government troops, which were forced to retire to Wesel, 32 miles northwest of here, to be reinforced sufficiently to recapture the city within a week.

WASHINGTON, March 23. - The public, represented by shippers and state railroad commissioners, had their inning today before the interstate commerce ommission, considering methods to be used in valuing the railroads of the country for the purpose of computing the annual 51-2 per cent net return authorized by the transportation act. Representatives of railroad executives and railroad unions were heard today.

#### FIGHTING CONTINUES.

COPENHAGEN, March 23, - A Leipsic telegram received here last night says that fighting at Halle and in the neighborhood of that place continues with un-diminished violence, both the troops and the workers forces using artillery. Halle has been completely cut off from the outside world.

Character is formed by what we read. come a city in the hear future. Hence we must give attention to our reading.

There is a subtle danger in books. Printer's ink is often a deadly poison. Books and magazines may spread rank errors and cater to vice. Against this evil every man has to be his own detective and policeman, and the guardian of his own house.

But there is another side to this. Great as is the possibility of harm, the opportunity for doing and receiving good through the printing-press is even greater. It sends Bibles over the earth and brings wholesome and uplifting thought and teaching into the home and within the reach of all. Every home should be supplied with good literature and every person have easy access to good books. Children and young people should be encouraged to read wholesome literature. There is no habit that can be formed in youth with greater benefit, both to strengthen and enrich all the after life, than a love of good reading and a discernment in the choice of books. Above all, exalt the Bible, which is the very best of good reading, and by personal interest encourage them to read the right things.

-Gastonia Baptist Messenger: At a called meeting last Wednesday night the Church decided on the recommendation of the Board of Deacons to elect a church treasurer and an assistant, and a treasurer of the building fund. Mr. J. D. Moore was elected church treasurer to fill the place made vacant by the death of his brother, H. B. Moore, who was one of the very best church workers in the State. Miss Alma Bostick was elected assistant to the church treasurer. Mr. W. Lyle Smith was elected treasurer of the building fund. These officers will take charge the first of April immediately after Brother J. D. Moore makes his report to the church as active church treasurer. We will have monthly reports from the two church treas urers to read on Wednesday night after the first Sunday in each month, and their books will be audited at the end of the year.

#### HISTORIC KENTUCKY DERBY HAS 46th ANNUAL RENEWAL.

LOUISVILLE, KY., March 23. - The historic Kentucky derby with its new \$30,000 added value, and for which 107 nominations have been made, will have its 46th renewal at Churchill Downs here on Saturday, May 8, the opening day of the Down's meeting, the Ken-tucky Jockey Club announced today, following receipt of information that the state racing commission had sanctioned the date.

audiences a thousand years after he has Dallas and with just a little letting loose left the earth. Public opinion is molded of some of the hoarded up land about the by the product of the printing press. Jown it will have the opportunity to be-

# GASTON COUNTY LADY GIVES \$100 TO HOSPITAL

Mis Edna Cathey, of South Point Township, Who Was Cured In a Philadelphia Orthonsedic Hospital, Handsome Donation. Gives

A check for \$100 for the North Carolina Orthopaedic Hospital was received Saturday by the treasurer, Mr. J. Lee Robinson, from Miss Edna Cathey, of Oxford, Pa. Miss Cathey is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cathey, of South Point township, and a sister of Miss Margaret Cathey, primary supervisor of schools in Dallas township.

Miss Cathey, it was stated this morn-ing by Mr. R. B. Babington, knows the needs and ambitions of the sort of work that the Orthopaedic hospital propose to do. Seventeen years ago she entered an orthopaedic hospital in Philadelphia for treatment. At the expiration of ter months she left the hospital practically cured.

Miss Cathey spends the greater part of her time in Oxford where she has business interests. Her vacation periods are spent with her parents in South Point.



NEW YORK, March 23. - Thirty en listed men of the United States navy now stationed at the Rockaway naval air station will leave within a few days for London to study at an English dirigible school, preparatory to attempting a trans-Atlantic flight with the R-38, sister ahip of the R-34, it was announced at naval recruiting beadquarters.

Commander Louis H. Maxfield, until re cently in charge of lighter-than-air work in Washington, but who now is in England, is named as the probable comman der of the all-American crew of the R-38. British observers, however, will accompany the crew.

The date of the start has not been de finitely set, but will be sometime in early summer, it is said, and expectations are that the voyage will be made under the time set by the R-34.

'The R-38 is slightly larger than the B-34, which negotiated the distance between England and America last October in 108 hours, and was purchased by the United States from Great Britain for \$2,500,000.

## CARPENTIER READY FOR DEMPSEY

NEW YORK March 3-"I am an-xious to box Juck Dompsey for the world's heavyweight championship as soon as the match even be arranged."' This was the first statement made by Georges Carpentier, the French heavy

weight, on his arrival here this morning. "I can get into condition on reas onably short notice and am willing to meet the holder of the premier title anywhere the match can be held, either in America or Europe," he added.

These statements, made through an in terpreter, were the answers given to a host of newspaper and moving picture operators, who boarded the French liner La Savoie to obtain their first view of the holder of the European heavyweight championship.

Of apparently slight qhysique and weighing, according to his own statement but 176 pounds, the conqueror of a long tine of French and English heavyweight resembled a bank clerk on a vacation far more than he did a pugilist whom boxing enthusiasts in all parts o fthe world are eager to see match skill and power against the American fighter.

## CARPENTIER IS GIVEN

A ROYAL WELCOME NEW YORK, March 23-Georges Carpentier, heavyweight boxing cham pion of Europe, who served France in the world war as an aviator, arrived here today on the steamship La Savoie and was cordially welcomed by a throng of sporting enthusiasts and and an enthusias tic delegation from the French colony. He was accompanied by his 17-year old bride and his manager, Francois Descamps.

It is expected that Carpentier will sign a contract to meet Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight championship of the world during his stay in this country. Many promoters have made tempting offers but Manager Descamps has not yet indicated his probable action. Carpentier will be entertained here for several days and then he will make a trip to the Pacific coast.

-Fire last night about 11 o'clock destroyed one of the Pinkney Mill houses south of the city. The city fire department responded but the fire had gained such headway that it was impossible to save the building. Most of the household goods of the occupants, nowever, were saved. The family occupying the residence were employes of the Pinkney Mill.

-Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Fergue have taken rooms at the Franklin Hotel on West Airline avenue. Mr. Ferguson ins one of The Daily Gazette's efficient linotype operators.

### SIMS FACES HEAVY

BARRAGE OF QUESTIONS WASHINGTON, March 23-Rear Admiral William S. Sime faced a heavy barrage of questions from Senator Pitt-man, democrat, Nevada, when he took the stand today for resumption of the cross-examination by the senate sub-committee investigating the navy department's conduct of the war. Senator Pittman, fortified by volumnious records from the navy's historical section and a mass of official correspondence, was prepared to attempt to break down the presentation of the admiral's case against the de-partment, which he made in his direct testimony last week.

The resignation of Senator McCormick, republican, Illinois, from the committee was accepted and Senator Keyes, republican, New Hampshire, was appointed in his place.

## STRIKE NOT YET SETTLED.

COBLENZ, March 23. - Negotiations between the government and leaders of workers were going on in Berlin yesterday, according to advices received here. but the general strike had not been settled, as the larger labor elements and the independent socialists were demanding guarantees against militarists and more concessions from the government. Some trains were moving on suburban lines out of Berlin yesterday.

Baltie troops and units of the volunteer brigades withdrawn from Berlin when Dr. Wolfgang Kapp left the city, are now in camp 15 miles west of Berli it is said.

-Mrs. L. Loyd Quinn, whose home is just east of the city underwent as op ation for appendicitie at the Gaston San torium today. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.