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PRESIDENT NOT DISCOURAGED BY SENATE'S TALK

Waits Patiently for Word From Warring Nations, to Whom Speech was Directed.

STRUGGLING PEOPLES THE DECIDING FACTOR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24.—Definite and vigorous opposition to the peace plans of President Wilson became apparent today, as the Senate discussed the peace situation, but the President, undiscouraged, waited patiently and calmly for word from the warring nations, to whom the peace speech was directed.

It was stated today that if he feels that the people of the warring nations must come to the sentiment that will force peace, and that while European governments may desire to continue the war the voice of the struggling peoples of Europe will be the deciding factor in the efforts to restore peace.

Diplomatic Washington tonight took the view that President Wilson in his astounding peace address had gone beyond the realms of diplomatic maneuvering.

Two hours of vigorous debate in the Senate which was directed largely to the question of whether the President's speech would be discussed on its merit or not brought the resolution from Senator Cummings proposing a stated time for discussing the President's plan. The debate brought no results, as the resolution was laid over for future consideration.

Senator Cummings in open discussion declared that the President's speech plainly called for an expression of sentiment and urged each Senator to be given an opportunity to express his views. "The point at issue is this," said Cummings, "Should the Senate do the country justice and render the President the respect of expressing our views on the doctrine to which he is about to commit this government. His announcement is the most important ever made by a chief executive of this nation. He so regards it as the rest of the world accepts it. Are we to sit here dumb, are we to remain silent while the public is waiting to hear us speak?"

Senator Stone, of the Foreign Relations Committee, urged that the resolution be sent to that committee and suggested that the pressure upon congress is too great to allow thirty-six hours or even one hour to elapse before the talk on peace. Senator Shafroth, of Colorado, for some time an advocate of an international league to enforce peace, supported Senator Stone. He presented a resolution containing his idea for the creation of an international court. He said the decrees of this court would be enforced by international military force.

"In other words," interrupted Senator Gallinger, "we would go to war to enforce peace. It is plain to me that we cannot escape the question of whether or not we will now abandon our time honored policy of avoiding entangling alliances abroad."

Senator Sherman, of Illinois, vigorously attacked the President's speech.

"Is there any definite concrete proposition in the stump speech made in this chamber by the President when the Senate is vested with sole treaty making?" "Is there any measure presented in this address? Was it not intended to forestall action by the Senate by appealing to public opinion before the Senate had a chance to discuss the question before it? Was it not a move to forestall and prevent action?"

Senator Lodge said: "I do not want to exaggerate the importance of settling this war and all future wars by resolution of this Senate but I think it would take the Foreign Relations Committee more than four weeks to determine how best to end this war and then determine how to secure a peace for the world afterwards."

WOULD PROTECT THE EYES OF OHIO RABBITS

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 24.—Representative Baker, of Ashland, has introduced in the Ohio legislature a bill which makes it unlawful for the hunter to shoot unsuspecting rabbits at night with the bright glare of a spot light and then shoot them down.

Don't trust a secret to the male, or the female, either.

BIG BATTLESHIP MISSISSIPPI BE LAUNCHED TODAY

Government Officials to Attend The Ceremonies at Newport News.

ONE OF THE LARGEST FIGHTERS IN WORLD

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Jan. 24.—Everything is in readiness for the launching of the battleship Mississippi tomorrow, now nearing completion at the yards of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Docks Company. When the mammoth vessel slides down the ways, Miss Camilla McBenth, a pretty society belle of Meridian, Miss., will give the new sea fighter the name of her native State. The launching will be attended by the heads of the Navy Department at Washington and an official delegation representing the State of Mississippi.

The Mississippi will be one of the most powerful battleships in the world. She is a sister ship of the Idaho, now under construction at the yards of the New York Shipbuilding Company. Her principal dimensions are as follows: Length, over all, 624 feet; beam, 97 feet 2 1/2 inches; displacement, 32,000 tons; horse-power, 32,000.

The battleship, if it could be transported to a city street, would cover more than three blocks, filling the thoroughfare completely from side to side, to the roofs of a five-story building, with the military masts towering 100 feet still further in the air; or, if stood on end alongside the Washington monument, with stern on the ground, the bow would tower 69 feet above the top of the monument.

The Mississippi will have four screws and a speed of twenty-one knots. Her main battery will consist of twelve 14-inch and twenty-five 5-inch guns, and her secondary battery will have four 3-pounders and four 21-inch torpedo tubes. The 14-inch guns will be mounted in four turrets, three in each turret. The weight of the metal thrown at a broadside of the twelve 14-inch guns is approximately 17,000 pounds, and the amount of powder used in each broadside is 4,800 pounds.

The body of the late Mr. J. Herman Rhodes, who died at his home on Metcalf street early Tuesday morning, was carried to Kinston yesterday morning where the interment took place immediately following the arrival there. The service was conducted by Rev. P. B. Hall, pastor of the Christian church of this city, and Rev. Mr. Smith, pastor of the Christian church of Kinston.

The body was accompanied by the widow and children; Mrs. Mary Rhodes, mother of the deceased; Mr. and Mrs. John F. Rhodes and Messrs. J. J. and George Rhodes and Mr. D. G. Snaw.

BODY OF MR. RHODES INTERRED AT KINSTON

Rev. P. B. Hall Conducted The Funeral Service There Yesterday.

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NEW DEADLY DISEASE ATTACKS HUB FAVORITE

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Now come government experts with a discovery which will prove a shock to Boston when it learns that its lowly but cherished bean is subject to a disease, exclusive, but deadly.

The discovery was announced in the court of Judge K. M. Landis by government chemists, who were testifying concerning 14,440 cans of pork and beans which had been condemned as unfit for use.

"What's the matter with 'em?" asked the Judge as he sniffed at a can that had been opened.

"Anthraxose," replied the expert who was on the stand. "It makes them unfit for food. One bean with anthraxose can soon give it to a million. It's just been discovered."

Returns Ten Per Cent To All Competitors Engaged In New Bernian Campaign

BILL PROVIDES \$60,000,000 FOR FORTIFICATIONS

Largest Measure for Similar Purpose Ever Presented To Congress.

AERONAUTIC PROJECTS PART COAST DEFENCES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24.—The largest fortification bill ever presented to Congress was today reported to the House by Representative Shirley, of Kentucky, chairman of the sub-committee on fortifications of the Appropriation Committee. Its items aggregate more than 60 million dollars. The total budget for fortifications is \$51,295,593, but in addition thereto there are authorizations for contracts totaling nine and one-half millions. The total appropriation exceeds that for the current fiscal year by approximately twenty-three million.

Aeronautic projects as a part of the sea coast defences are provided for with the incidental appropriation of \$3,600,000 for hydro-aeroplanes. This is the first time that such items have appeared in a fortification bill. A report accompanying the measure suggests that with the provision for aeronautics, it is the intention of the War Department to organize six aerial squadrons for the continental coast and two for insular possessions.

Movable railway armament is another new thing in the measure. For this purpose the appropriation is \$1,700,000.

WORLD BOUND TO LISTEN, VIEW HELD IN BERLIN

Foreign Minister Zimmerman Lauds Address of President Wilson.

HOPES FOR SUCCESS OF PEACE EFFORTS

BERLIN, via Sayville, Jan. 24.—A few minutes after the receipt by the Foreign office of the text of President Wilson's address to the United States Senate, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Zimmerman said: "In the message which President Wilson addressed to the Senate the Imperial Government recognizes with extreme satisfaction the fact that the aspirations and thoughts of the President continue to occupy themselves with the question of the restoration of permanent peace. The exalted moral earnestness which shows itself in the words of the President assures them of an attentive ear throughout the world. The Imperial German Government earnestly hopes that the untiring efforts of the President to restore peace on earth may be crowned with success."

The President's address was handed to the Foreign Office by United States Ambassador Gerard at 11 o'clock this morning.

"What's it like?" asked the Court. "Well," rattled off the expert, "It's caused by several species of melanconiarous fungi which have neither ascus nor pyrenidium."

"That's enough," interrupted Judge Landis. "We can't tolerate sick beans, specially if they haven't any pyrenidium. Dump them in the lake."

THOSE WHO COMPETE FOR THE PRIZES ARE CERTAIN OF BEING REWARDED

SCORES OF LIVE CANDIDATES. BEGIN WORK

All Indications Point to a Most Successful Campaign to Win Those Automobiles and Eight Other Hand-some Awards.

The feature of THE NEW BERNIAN'S \$2,000 subscription campaign which should make it popular is the provision that ten per cent. of all subscription money turned in by or in favor of any contestant until Saturday night, February 10, will be returned to her at the end of each week. This is in addition to any prize a candidate may win and those not winning prizes will receive ten per cent. of their subscriptions for the entire campaign if they remain active until the close, March 19.

More than a dozen new candidates were announced yesterday, others are in the list for the first time today and still others may be expected day after day for several weeks. With a ten per cent. commission for the first three weeks of the campaign, Overland and Ford automobiles, \$150.00 account in the National Bank of New Bern, \$100.00 Victrola, two \$65.00 Diamond Rings, \$65.00 Cole Hot Blast Range, \$53.00 Standard Sewing Machine, \$30.00 Lambeth Kitchen Cabinet and one of Baxter's best \$25.00 Wrist Watches as prizes and ten per cent. commission to non-prize winners, it will be surprising indeed if the women and girls in this section of Eastern North Carolina do not go after subscriptions for THE NEW BERNIAN with a determination to win.

The campaign did not commence until the announcement of the list of names and the issuing of subscription books on Monday, but quite a number of those nominated have already commenced to call upon their friends and solicit their assistance and many others are certain to do so. If you have been nominated, commence your campaign at once and if your name is not in the list, send it to the Prize Manager and he will send you a subscription order book and full instructions. Don't delay. Start now.

"Would you let anybody rob you of an automobile, \$150.00 bank account, a \$100.00 Victrola and a \$65.00 Diamond Ring?"

This was the answer made by one of the competitors when asked by a friend whether or not she was going to win one of the grand prizes offered in this campaign.

The competitor very probably feels that she would be doing nothing less than robbing herself of one of these prizes were she to fail to take advantage of the opportunity that THE NEW BERNIAN has offered. The prizes are as much hers as anybody's and she is decidedly unwilling to let anybody obtain what she herself can secure.

This young woman has the proper spirit—a spirit, which is satisfied with nothing short of the greatest success that is obtainable. She is one of a type and there are a number like her already enlisted for the magnificent prizes. Alive to the opportunity they are also alert to the importance of an early start, and have begun an active campaign which they intend to make decisive.

Those who have "wished they might win" but have so far made no effort to the realization of their desire, should follow the lead of the young woman who refused to be robbed of her right. The campaign is young, has scarcely started yet, in fact, the field is full of unbounded opportunities for the aggressive workers. It should not be forgotten, though, that the time is flying, and that the prizes will be won not by "wishing, but by working."

President Young, However, Admits Machinists to Go to Norfolk Shops.

The Chamber of Commerce recently took up with President J. H. Young of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, the matter of the rumors to the effect that the shops of that company now located here were to be removed to Carolina Junction, protesting against the removal of any men from this city.

A reply has been received from Mr. Young in which he states: "The Norfolk Southern has recently completed its general shops near Norfolk. It is the intention to centralize as much of its work as is possible in these shops and in order to complete the organization it will be necessary to move some of the men from New Bern and other points on our line to that point. We will continue to make the running repairs on locomotives operating in the vicinity of New Bern at that point as in the past. In addition we expect to continue the rebuilding of our wooden freight equipment at New Bern as we have in the past few months—so taken altogether there will be no material reduction in the number of men employed; in fact I think that it will probably figure out that during the year there will be more men employed at New Bern than formerly."

N. S. WORKERS HERE ARE NOT TO BE REDUCED

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TO ENLARGE FORCE FOR CAR BUILDING

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NEW ORDER TO BUILD KINSTON UNION STATION

Corporation Commission Holds There is No Reason for Further Delay.

MUST BE COMPLETED BY FIRST OF JUNE

RALEIGH, Jan. 24.—The Corporation Commission made an order today directing the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk Southern Railroad Companies to proceed forthwith with completion of the plans for the union passenger station at Kinston. The order reads: "Upon consideration of the record of the proceedings, the order of the Commission that the defendants submit plans for the union passenger station at Kinston by April 13th, 1916, having been extended from time to time by reason of change of location of proposed depot, by agreement with the Kinston Chamber of Commerce, and by reason of difference between the defendant companies as to a detail of the plans of construction, and no satisfactory reason appearing why there should be further delay, it is ordered that the defendants submit plans for an adequate union passenger station on the Caswell street junction site, Kinston, not later than Thursday, February 1st, 1917, or show cause why penalty should not be imposed as provided in the revival.

"It is further ordered that construction of the said depot be commenced, not later than March 1st, 1917, and completed not later than June 1st, 1917, or that cause be shown why penalty should not be imposed for failure to comply with the order."

PITTSBURGH LEADS AS FREIGHT ORIGINATOR

Far Ahead of Any City in The World, Statistics Show.

HARVARD KILLS RATS AS A PRECAUTION

INSTITUTION DOING ITS UTMOST TO PREVENT POSSIBLE OUTBREAK OF INFANTILE PARALYSIS.

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Harvard is doing its utmost to keep its students fit. Recently a campaign against rats was conducted, so that if there was any possibility that they were the carriers of infantile paralysis, its ravages at Harvard would be reduced to the utmost minimum.

To further safeguard the students, the raw milk in all of the university dining halls, at the training tables, and as far as possible in all the eating places in Cambridge is being pasteurized. The water used in all these places is examined almost daily.

Melville C. Whipple, sanitary inspector at Harvard, is also watching the various other food supplies, methods of service and makes frequent examinations of conditions under which food is served. All food handlers as far as possible are examined for the presence of contagious disease.

ENGLISH FIRM NOT ALLOWED TO TAKE CONTRACT

Government Compels Hatsfield Concern Cancel Bid for Shells For United States.

CAUSES SURPRISE AT NAVY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24.—Announcement of England's refusal to allow the Hatsfield Limited to accept the American contracts awarded them for 16-inch and 14-inch armor piercing projectiles fell like a bomb shell in the Navy Department today. "I can take no action until I have the official announcement," said Secretary Daniels of the Navy, "and then I'll have to think a little," he added.

The Navy Department is greatly embarrassed by the action of the English Government, Mr. Daniel admitted. The award of the contract had already been signed but the actual signing of the contract itself had not been consummated. Neither had the Hatsfield Limited filed the required fifteen per cent bond to be forfeited in case of failure to deliver.

Two courses are open to me, Secretary Daniels declared, one is to advertise for new bids which would be certain to bring out the same bids recently submitted by American manufacturers and declared by the Secretary of the Navy to be high and outrageous. The other course is to hurry the proposed projectile plant to completion and make the shells independently.

The Government plant can be put in operation and actually carry out the contract awarded to Hatsfield before the shells are needed, it was pointed out. Secretary Daniels is known to be adverse to awarding the contract to any American firm which was refused by Hatsfield.

When the original English bid was made, Secretary Daniels had a distinct understanding with the English firm that there would be no objection to their filling the contract by the British Government.

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PITTSBURGH, PA., Jan. 23.—Statistics compiled here show that Pittsburgh leads the world in origination of freight tonnage. The products of the Pittsburgh district's mines, mills and other industrial plants form a tonnage two and one-half times greater than the tonnage of the ports of London, New York and Hamburg combined. The tonnage is handled by twelve railroad lines that converge here, and the Ohio, Allegheny and Monongahela rivers. This tonnage is also greater than that handled through the Suez Canal and the ports of New York, London, Liverpool and Hamburg, in normal times, combined.

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ABANDON CAUCUS TO SETTLE POLICY TOWARD SCHOOLS

Local Self-Government Advocates in Possession of a New Line of Trenches.

THE FIGHT MAKES INTERESTING HISTORY

RALEIGH, Jan. 24.—The caucus set for Wednesday night January 24, at which time the majority was to have settled its policy toward the schools of the State has been abandoned and the local self government advocates are in possession of the new line of trenches.

It became evident Tuesday that the caucus could not be held. To begin with, it appeared that more would remain out than go in. Smarting under the 1915 get-together, dozens of the house members had determined not to bind themselves and a larger number without than within would have been utter ruin to the school men advocating centralization.

The history is interesting. When the Democrats met two years ago and prayed all night over this vexatious school issue, the proponents of popular election for county boards yielded to the plea that the Democratic party had never said in its platform what its desire is. The insurgents were urged to defer to the Supreme Court of Democracy and they did. They went home to be nagged at another year and the convention met. That body did not even squint at the school question and Marse Henry Page and others were good and mad at it.

The party has since said nothing to indicate its desire to change to the popular style of choosing men. During the campaign it met much attacking but the Republicans were confronted with their party quarrels and with Senator Butler, who, like the poor, is always with them. The Republican attack upon the Joyner system failed utterly and chiefly because it foolishly predicted the assault upon "partisanship," political partisanship, the one thing for which Joyner could not be criticised. He had always advocated non-partisan school boards.

But the Democrats who have come here pledged to the overthrow of the present system are an alarming lot. They looked formidable two years ago. They now appear positively bloodthirsty. There is no longer doubt that the Democrats in the House favorable to popular election are in the majority and of course they have the united Republican strength. They will not caucus, will not be bound and cannot longer.

BIRTH CONTROL ADVOCATES WILL SEE PRESIDENT

Wealthy New York Women To Make Journey to Washington Today.

MRS. ETHEL BYRNE ON HUNGER STRIKE

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Wealthy birth control advocates are preparing to storm the White House and Governor Whitman of New York. While Mrs. Ethel Byrne is on a hunger strike at Blackwell Island, delegates from the Margaret Sanger Defense Committee will hasten to President Wilson and Governor Wantnas and urge the repeal of the law which convicted her.

This was decided today at a meeting at the home of Mrs. W. L. Graves. Six women volunteered to start as a pilgrimage to Albany on Friday, defended with arguments to convince the governor that the law must be repealed. Another will be on the way tomorrow to see President Wilson.

All things are possible, except for a girl to lie about her age when she has a twin brother.

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