

# Kings Mountain Herald

A Clean Local Newspaper For All The Family

VOL. 17. NO. 41

KINGS MOUNTAIN, N. C., THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1919

\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

## "LEAK PROBE" IS ON IN PEACE TREATY

BILL TO END WIRE CONTROL BY THE GOVERNMENT, CHIEF MATTER OF INTEREST.

### TO PARE DOWN ARMY BILL

Senate Will Decide Question of Immunity of Senators Lodge and Borah in Withholding Information.

Washington.—Congress enters the fourth week of the new session with broadening activities and increased speed urged by leaders.

The so-called peace treaty "leak" investigation and the bill to end government control of the wires constitutes the senate's work of principal interest, while the house plans to engage in a clean-up of appropriation bills, starting with the paring down of the \$800,000,000 army bill. Investigations of army and shipping affairs and also election of Victor Berger, socialist, of Wisconsin, also will be started by committees.

Leaders on both sides are anxious for the investigation to start, however, and before the end of the week it may be well under way.

One of the first difficulties to complicate the inquiry doubtless will be the question of senatorial immunity as it applies to Senators Lodge and Borah in connection with their statements of the existence of treaty copies in New York.

Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, and other Democrats of the committee, will oppose this view, holding that no such immunity can be invoked to hold back facts of material importance to the inquiry. They declare the charges made by the two senators are too serious to be dropped now. The names of many men prominent in national politics and in financial circles have been mentioned about the capitol.

### DETROIT IS FACING COURT ACTION IN ITS CAR STRIKE

Detroit, Mich.—With the city completely without traction service and no promise of a settlement of the three cornered controversy between the Detroit United Railway Company, its striking carmen and the city council, state officials threaten court action to relieve the situation, fearing expansion of the tie-up to include a large part of southern Michigan. The strike became effective June 7.

Attorney General Grosbeck intimated that unless the three factions reach an agreement he will ask a court order compelling operation of the lines until an adjustment can be effected.

Not a car wheel turned within the city and there were no conferences of those interested.

### CONFEDERATE GRAVES IN ARLINGTON DECORATED

Washington.—Southerners in the nation's capital including many government officials paid tribute to the memory of the Confederate soldier and sailor dead buried in Arlington National cemetery with commemorative services in the Confederate section of the cemetery. Representative Clarence N. Stedman, of Greensboro, N. C., made the memorial address. The tomb of the unknown dead, the grave of General Joe Wheeler and those of Confederate soldiers and sailors which occupy the Virginia hills overlooking Washington were decorated with flowers in profusion and a floral southern cross was unveiled.

### FIRST CUBAN IS GRADUATED FROM U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY

Washington.—Ensign Carlos Aurelio Hevia, son of Colonel Aurelio Hevia, former secretary of the war and navy in the Cuban cabinet, is the first Cuban to graduate from U. S. Naval Academy. He was handed his diploma at the graduating exercises by his father, who was accorded this unusual privilege by Secretary Daniels.

### RAILROADS SHOULD BE MADE TO RETURN MONEY ADVANCED

Washington.—Railroads under federal control should be required to return to the government "as rapidly as practicable, \$775,000,000 advanced for improvements and equipment. Director General Hines told the house appropriations committee at his appearance, according to the printed record of the hearings.

"These improvements have been made for the benefit of the railroad companies," the director general said.

### MISS ALBERTA BICKNELL



Miss Alberta Bicknell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bicknell, has been awarded the Order of Elizabeth by the queen of Belgium. She is twenty years old and has been working in Belgium for two years.

### MEASURE FIRST DRAFTED, 1875

Before Becoming Law Ratification by the Legislatures of the Various States is Necessary.

Washington.—Action by Congress on equal suffrage—subject of a fight of 44 years' duration—has ended in adoption by the senate by a vote of 56 to 25 of the historic Susan B. Anthony constitutional amendment resolution.

The proposed amendment, adopted by the house by a vote of 394 to 89, May 21, as the first act of the new Congress, now goes to the states. Ratification by legislatures of three-fourths of which is required for its incorporation in the federal constitution.

The roll call showed two votes more than the necessary two-thirds for the resolution, which was drafted by Susan B. Anthony in 1875 and introduced by Senator Sargent, of California, in 1878.

Loud applause, unchecked by the presiding officer, swept the senate chamber when the final vote was announced following two days' debate, and many jubilation meetings were in progress at headquarters of various women's organizations which have been active in support of the measure.

### BOTH GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN TREATIES HANG IN BALANCE

Paris.—This has been an anxious day throughout peace conference circles, with both the German and Austrian treaties in the balance, and every effort is being made toward early and united action.

The council of four considered the Austrian treaty in the morning to complete the military and reparation terms, which were omitted when the document was delivered Monday. Later, the council turned to the German counter proposals and called in experts.

Many private conferences were also going on, including one between Colonel House, of the American delegation, and A. J. Balfour, British foreign secretary, all seeking to clarify the situation and determine the course of action.

The prevailing view of those taking part was hopeful of early and satisfactory results. They admitted that the conditions were difficult and that the differences were rather sharply drawn, but insisted that there was nothing like an impasse or anything threatening an agreement.

### FIVE THOUSAND LIVES LOST THROUGH VOLCANIC ERUPTION

The Hague.—The governor general of the Kediri district of Java reports that 5,100 persons were killed in the recent eruption of the volcano of Kalut.

### THE SENATE FIGHT OVER HUN TREATY TAKES ON NEW ANGLE

Washington.—The Senate fight over the treaty with Germany branched out into new channels with the introduction of a resolution by Senator Hitchcock, ranking Democrat of the foreign relations committee, proposing that the committee investigate statements by Chairman Lodge and Senator Borah, Republican members, that copies of the unpublished treaty are in the hands of certain interests in New York.

## SENATE DIRECTS AN INVESTIGATION

HOW DID PEACE TREATY COME INTO HANDS OF OUTSIDERS IN NEW YORK?

### FULL TEXT IS NOW DEMANDED

Resolutions Were Adopted Just After Dramatic Clash Between Senators Hitchcock and Lodge.

Washington.—Resolutions asking the state department for the text of the treaty with Germany and directing the foreign relations committee to investigate how copies of the unpublished document have reached private hands in New York were adopted by the senate without a roll call.

Action on the two proposals came unexpectedly during a lull in the stormy debate they had aroused, and scarcely a score of senators were in the chamber, when in quick succession, the resolutions were put to a vote. Their passage itself, however, was no surprise, as it generally had been conceded that each would have a majority.

Under the investigation resolution, introduced at the request of the White House by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, senior Democrat of the foreign relations committee, it is expected that a far-reaching inquiry will begin within a few days.

Adoption of the Hitchcock resolution came first, just after the debate had reached a dramatic climax in a clash between Mr. Hitchcock and Chairman Lodge, of the foreign relations committee. After this clash a request by Mr. Lodge that the senate substitute an investigation resolution was withdrawn.

### REDUCTION IS DEMANDED IN ARMY AND NAVY BILL

Washington.—Reduction of government expenses by a close scrutiny of all appropriation requests was demanded by Republican leaders in the house. Republican members of the military committee meeting with their party's legislative steering committee, headed by Floor Leader Mondell, were told to make all efforts to curtail army expenses without robbing any activity of necessary funds, and similar request was made of other appropriation committees at the informal conferences.

Chairman Kahn told the party leaders that the army bill authorizing \$1,100,000,000 when passed the house in the last Congress would be reduced by nearly \$400,000,000 and later it was learned that the naval committee expected to cut the naval appropriation bill to about \$600,000,000, effecting a saving of more than \$100,000,000 over the amount carried when the measure was in the last Congress.

### APRIL RAILROAD DEFICIT IS APPROXIMATELY \$58,000,000

Washington.—Director General Hines estimated that the railroad administration incurred a deficit of approximately \$58,000,000 in April, making a total deficit of \$250,000,000 for the first four months of the year.

The director general reiterated, however, his previously expressed judgment that present economic conditions were too much unsettled to afford a safe basis for decision as to the necessity for increased rates to offset the difference between income and operating costs. For the present there will be no raise, he added, the administration confining itself to practicing every possible economy.

### BOLSHEVIK AGITATOR HAS BEEN EXECUTED AT MUNICH

Munich, Bavaria.—Levine Nissen, the bolshevik agitator who was one of the leaders of the Munich communist soviet regime, was executed at Stadelheim, outside the capital. He was convicted and the Bavarian cabinet refused to commute his sentence, maintaining that he was the cause of the civil war in Bavaria and deserved no mercy.

### CARLTON SAYS STRIKERS WILL NOT BE TAKEN BACK

Atlanta, Ga.—Announcement by President Newcomb Carlton of the Western Union Telegraph and Cable Company, that Morse and multiplex operators in the southeast who went on strike would not be reemployed and a statement from S. J. Koenekamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America, that he would issue a call for a nation-wide strike, were the latest developments.

### DOCTOR CUNO



Doctor Cuno, privy councillor of the German government, has succeeded Albert Ballin as director of the Hamburg-American steamship line.

### FRENCH FIRM IN OPPOSITION

Hun Government Orders Arrest of Dr. Dorten, President of the New Rhenish Republic.

London.—There is a probability that Germany may secure as a result of her strong counter proposals some lessening in the severity of the peace terms of the allied and associated powers. Germany's pleas that it will be impossible to fulfill the financial requirements of the allies and her protests against certain territorial relinquishments have been held and are being discussed by the council of four.

A full discussion of the German counter proposals especially concerning reparations and other economic features of the peace treaty has been held by President Wilson and the staff of American experts of the American peace delegation. Great Britain is said to favor a number of concessions to Germany but France continues firm in her stand not to waver from the original terms. On the other hand, the Americans are declared to be not averse to minor concessions but are not in favor of going to the extent that the British propose.

The German government is incensed over the formation of a Rhenish republic. It has ordered the arrest of Dr. Dorten, the president of the republic, and also has protested to the peace conference and the armistice commission at Spa against the behavior of the French authorities in the occupied Rhineland.

### ATTORNEY GENERAL PALMER CALLS FOR INVESTIGATION

Washington.—Charges of Senator Frelinghuysen reflecting on Attorney General Palmer's work as alien property custodian were met with a statement by Mr. Palmer asking for a public hearing on the charges and expressing "great pride in the splendid work" of the alien property custodian's office. The charges were made by the New Jersey senator during consideration by the senate judiciary committee of Mr. Palmer's nomination as attorney general.

### AVERAGE DAILY COST OF WAR MADE VERY RAPID INCREASE

Washington.—The average cost of the war increased from \$810,000 daily for the first three months to \$27,400,000 daily for the period of July 1, 1918, to April 20, 1919, according to figures prepared by the statistics branch, general staff, war department, and made public here by the army recruiting office. The statement showed the disbursements for the period of the war, minus the normal peace expenditures.

### THE WITHHOLDING OF TREATY CAUSES SHARP SENATE DEBATE

Washington.—Senator Lodge, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, told the senate he had seen in the hands of business interests in New York a copy of the treaty with Germany given out by an American representative at Paris, but withheld from the senate.

The statement caused a sharp debate upon the course of President Wilson and the state department regarding publication of the treaty text.

## WIRE CONTROL IS PARTLY RELEASED

POSTMASTER GENERAL STEALS MARCH ON CONGRESS BY ANTI-COMMUNIST ACTION.

### BURLESON EXPLAINS REASONS

Duty Compelled Return of Operative Control of the Various Properties to Their Several Owners.

Washington.—Telegraph and telephone companies, whose lines the government has controlled since last August 1, were ordered to resume immediately operations for their own account, by Postmaster General Burleson. The postoffice department, however, under terms of Mr. Burleson's order, retains a measure of control of the services, pending final legislative action by Congress.

Regulations prohibiting discrimination against wire employees because of union affiliations, maintaining existing rates and charges and instructing companies to keep special accounts to facilitate cost settlement between themselves and the government, are retained in effect under the order issued by the postmaster general.

Mr. Burleson accompanied the order with a statement giving the reasons which impelled him to take the action. He asserted that the President having recommended the return of the properties, the senate interstate commerce committee having indicated that immediate return was advisable and the house committee having through hearings manifested a desire for action toward that end, he felt it his duty to return operative control to the various owners.

### CLEMENCEAU SHAKES FIST IN THE FACE OF LLOYD GEORGE

Paris.—Acrimonious debates at secret meetings of the big four regarding proposed modifications of the financial clauses of the German treaty are threatening to disrupt the whole fabric of the new world order erected with so much care during the last five months. As things stand now, Premier Lloyd George is engaged in the bitterest fight of the whole peace conference, his principal antagonist being M. Clemenceau, who, responsive to France's appeals from the whole bourgeoisie and property classes of France, maintained his firm stand against the proposed alterations. It is reported on excellent authority that the Tiger went so far as to shake his fist in Lloyd George's face, declaring that he would never consent to the impoverishment of France for the benefit of the Boches.

### SHORT-LINE RAILROAD MEN APPLAUD SPEECH OF SMITH

Washington.—Confidence that Congress would dispose expeditiously of legislation needed to stabilize conditions and return the railroads to private ownership was expressed by Senator Smith, of South Carolina, former chairman of the senate commerce committee, in an address before the American short-line railroad convention.

Senator Smith said he believed the settlement of the problem would follow the teachings of American democracy, "giving each man a fair chance in a free fight, rather than putting it all in one bag and pro-rating the earnings."

### AWFUL CATASTROPHE OCCURS IN WILKES BARRE TUNNEL

Wilkes Barre, Pa.—Eighty-three men dead and 50 others burned and maimed, many of whom will die, is the toll of a disaster in the Baltimore tunnel of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Co., in the East End section of the city. Seven kegs of black powder, 3,000 pounds in all, were detonated and the dead and the maimed were literally roasted by the super-heated gas flames following the explosion.

### AUTHORITIES OF EIGHT CITIES INTERCHANGE BOMB PROBERS.

New York.—The eight cities in which bomb outrages were perpetrated have arranged for an interchange of police officers to facilitate co-operation of all the agencies at work running down the radicals responsible for the explosion, it was announced at police headquarters here. The statement came at the close of a conference between federal agents and representatives of the municipal police departments of various cities.

## OVER THE LAND OF THE LONG LEAF PINE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Charlotte.—Edward N. Ferris resigned as secretary of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the board of directors after two years and nine months of service.

Elizabethtown.—A grand home-coming celebration in honor of Bladen county's soldiers who have returned from the service will be held in Elizabethtown July 9.

Charlotte.—William Jennings Bryan will speak here June 13 in the interest of world-wide prohibition. His subject will be "Work Accomplished and the Task Before Us."

Fayetteville.—The board of aldermen of this city made certain the retention of Major R. J. Lamb as the head of Fayetteville's police department when the board fixed the salary of the post at \$2,400 per annum.

Charlotte.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and John Golden, vice president of the federation and president of the textile workers' union, will visit in Charlotte on Labor Day, according to announcement by President Frank Price, of the newly organized East Charlotte Textile Union.

Winston-Salem.—Rev. R. H. Deal, one of the former pastors of the Salem Methodist church, now pastor of St. John's M. E. church, at Buena Vista, Ga., and Miss Adelaide Cornish, a member of the 1919 graduating class at Salem college, were married at the home of the bride's parents.

Wilmington.—John Bisset Warren, of the local high school, who, with his classmates has just received his diploma, has attended Wilmington city schools for an even dozen years and has never been out a single day or tardy during all this time.

R. G. Glascock, elder brother of Dr. Harold Glascock, of Raleigh was struck and instantly killed by lightning at the Glascock home near Hannibal, Miss.

Fayetteville.—Preliminary organization of the Fayetteville Conservatory of Music was effected at a meeting of subscribers to the stock in the chamber of commerce rooms.

Kinston.—A real housing problem here is vexing city officials and chamber of commerce directors. Every separate dwelling in the town is occupied, it is said. Rents have increased comparatively little, however.

Asheville.—B. H. Allen, a time-keeper for the Andrews Manufacturing Company, met his death Thursday night when he fell under the wheels of a train belonging to and operated by said company, according to reports.

Shelby.—Lieutenant Victor Rudasill, who did valiant fighting with the 30th division overseas, has been elected superintendent of the Shelby water and electric plants.

West Raleigh.—Prof. Thomas Nelson's book, "Practical Loom Fixing" is meeting a wide demand among textile men throughout this country, and its reputation has spread to foreign lands. An order from Bombay, India, is one of the most recent.

Hickory.—Solicitor R. L. Huffman, of Morganton, who was here, said he had written a letter to Governor Bickett, asking that in the event a petition is signed urging clemency for Aaron Wiseman, he be allowed to appear before the chief executive and give his reasons for opposing clemency.

Chapel Hill.—The department of English at the State University has announced that a new annual prize to be known as "The Burdick Prize in Journalism" has been established by Mrs. Julia W. Burdick, of Asheville, in memory of her son, Edmund, of the class of 1920.

Davidson.—Several of the school commissioners and teachers in Davidson graded school motored to Matthews to inspect the school building there, with a view to plans for enlargement and remodeling of the academy building at Davidson.

Kinston.—Negro patrons of rural schools in Lenoir county are subscribing liberally to funds to augment county and Rosenwald fund appropriations for the erection of new buildings. In the Grainier district three schools are to consolidate.