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RATIFICATION OF LEAGUE EXPECTED

OPPOSITION TO TREATY WITH PEACE LEAGUE CLAUSE IS RAPIDLY CRUMBLING.

DEBATE MAY CONSUME WEEKS

Two Great Elements, Business Men and Moral Forces Are Supporting Program of Administration.

Washington.—As the President approaches the White House, the opposition to the league of nations crumbles. It has been apparent here for days, ever since Elihu Root fired into the Knox resolution, that the republicans as a party would never oppose the league of nations.

A few personally ambitious senators of the Borah and Hiram Johnson type, are out for applause from the gallery, but plain, practical statesmen of the Penrose and Will H. Hays type, are, like "br'er fox," saying nothing.

Secretary Daniels has just returned from a speaking trip in Ohio, Illinois and other states of the middle west. He is convinced that the President is very strong there.

It is believed here that after a spirited debate of days, or perhaps weeks, the war will be closed by the ratification of the treaty, including the league of nations.

Two great elements, the business men and the moral forces, are supporting the program of the administration. Senators Knox, Lodge and others of the anti-Wilson group are looking for a soft landing place, and they can't prove that the plan of the President will not work.

SUPER-DIRIGIBLE R-34 NOW RESTS ON ROOSEVELT FIELD.

Mineola, N. Y.—Great Britain's super-dirigible R-34, the first lighter-than-air machine to cross the Atlantic ocean, anchored here at Roosevelt flying field, after an aerial voyage of 108 hours and 12 minutes which covered 3,130 knots or approximately 3,600 land miles.

Passing through dense banks of cloud, with the sun and sea visible only at rare intervals, the R-34 was forced to cruise 2,650 knots to reach Trinity Bay, N. F., from East Fortune, Scotland, and 1,080 knots from there to Mineola.

THE PRESIDENT IS INVITED TO SPEAK AT ASHEVILLE.

Asheville, N. C.—President Wilson has been invited to attend the sessions of the Southern Labor congress, which meets here August 20, is the announcement of Secretary W. C. Puckett, of Atlanta. He was also asked to deliver an address during one of the sessions of the congress.

The letter sent to the President informs him that the congress proposes to deal with legislative, social and economic questions that are actively before the people at this time and the labor congress feels the need of his presence and advice.

EARTHQUAKE OF MODERATE INTENSITY IS RECORDED.

Washington.—An earthquake of moderate intensity, believed to have had its center in Central or South America, was recorded early by the seismograph at Georgetown university. The earth tremors first were recorded at 3:11 o'clock and continued until 4 o'clock. The distance of the disturbance was estimated at 2,300 miles from Washington.

ALABAMA CONGRESSMAN SUES BIRMINGHAM PAPER.

Birmingham, Ala.—Congressman George Huddleston of the ninth Alabama district, has filed damage suits against the Age-Herald Publishing Company aggregating \$1,300,000, based on cartoons and articles published during the congressional campaign last year.

PRESIDENT OF PERU HAS BEEN THROWN IN PRISON

Lima, Peru.—Augusto B. Leguia has assumed office as provisional president of Peru and took up his residence in the government palace as a result of the successful overthrow of President Pardo.

Senator Pardo, all his ministers and a number of high officers of the army and navy are in prison, Pardo being in the penitentiary here. Virtually no fighting and no casualties marked the overthrow of the government.

SENATOR N. B. DIAL



N. B. Dial of Laurens, S. C., is the senator-elect to serve the long term succeeding the late Senator Tillman. He is, of course, a Democrat, and is a lawyer, banker and manufacturer.

FIVE BILLION IS APPROPRIATED

Congress Also Repealed Bills Footing Up More Than \$15,000,000 Passed by the Last Congress.

Washington.—Congress adjourned at midnight until July 8, after enacting all appropriation bills needed by government agencies for the new fiscal year.

Success crowned the efforts of republican leaders to complete the necessary appropriation measures, but only after hours of delay which at times almost threatened to block their plans.

The final bill, the army measure, carrying \$776,000,000; the sundry civil bill, carrying \$605,000,000; the District of Columbia's annual budget of \$15,000,000 and a deficiency measure of \$25,000,000, all were completed and sent to the white house.

With enactment of the final bills including measures passed at the last session of Congress, more than \$5,000,000,000 has been appropriated for federal needs during the new year. Congress also has cancelled more than \$15,000,000 of war appropriations previously authorized.

COTTON CROP ESTIMATE UNDER 11,000,000 BALES.

Washington.—A cotton crop of about 1,000,000 bales smaller than last year's was forecast by the department of agriculture in estimating prospective production at 10,985,000 bales.

Decrease this year shows a cut of 8.7 per cent from last year's, the decrease being 3,247,000 acres, the total being 33,960,000. The agitation for a reduction in acreage which the department of agriculture says occurred in every cotton-growing state, the scarcity and high price of labor and unfavorable planting weather caused the heavy decrease.

AFGHAN PEACE DELEGATES ARE BACK FROM FRANCE.

Simla, India.—Afghan peace delegates have arrived at Jalalabad. Reports indicate that all is quiet on the frontier and the belief is growing in India that peace will be arranged.

The general official and non-official opinion appears to be reflected by the Pioneer's comment that Emir Amanullah's overtures are obviously those of a weak, repentant ruler and that the spirit of contrition renders magnanimity possible. The heat on the frontier continues abnormal, inflicting hardships on the troops.

TERRIFIC TRAIN WRECK CAUSED TWELVE DEATHS.

Dunkirk, N. Y.—Engineer Clifford, of the New York Central's Westerner express, tried, according to his dying statement, to avert the rear end collision with train No. 41, which caused the death of 12 persons.

Witnesses said the siren was still screeching for the hand brakes when the Westerner, going 50 miles an hour, plowed into the rear coach of No. 41. Clifford's almost dying words were "Oh! I tried to stop."

WILHELM MAY QUIT HOLLAND AT WILL

IN THE EVENT OF A REQUEST OR DEMAND FOR SURRENDER HE MIGHT BE DETAINED.

RED TAPE IS GUIDING POWER

Tribunal Under Whose Jurisdiction Party Resides Must Finally Pass On Matters in Question.

Amsterdam.—There is nothing to prevent the former German emperor or the former crown prince from leaving Holland at their pleasure, according to a high government authority at The Hague quoted by the Amsterdam Telegraaf correspondent. If either of them should leave, however, the official quoted said, the surprise of their departure would be "unpleasant both for the Dutch government and the Dutch people."

"Should there come, however, a demand for the former kaiser's extradition," the official said in an interview, "and should he then want to depart suddenly, it is possible he would be prevented. He can, according to the law of extradition, be 'arrested,' at the request of a foreign government, but a demand for his extradition must be made within a certain period.

"When the demand for extradition comes it will be examined in the light of laws and treaties first. The law to be considered is the extradition law, Article II whereof specifies offenses for which foreigners will not be extradited. Extradition is also subject of a number of other restrictions, formalities and guarantees. Should there come a demand which is technically correct and in order, the government must first obtain the advice of the tribunal under whose legal jurisdiction the person wanted is residing. Amroegen, being in the department of Utrecht, the tribunal of that department would have to decide.

GLORIOUS FOURTH FITTINGLY OBSERVED IN CAPITAL CITY

Washington.—Return of world peace was the dominating spirit of Washington's celebration of independence day. Pageantry in which the call of industry and other civilian occupations to returning soldiers and sailors were displayed, and a parade in which all of the nations arrayed against Germany and Austria were represented were the features of the observance.

Seven pageants showing the call of art, of the land, of commerce, business and professions, of the children, of labor, of liberty, and to the world service, were given late in the day on the lawns of department and other public buildings. These pageants were emceed into a great pageant entitled the "Offering of Peace," which showed the peoples of the world, having passed through the horrors of war, returning with courage and anticipation to the pursuits of peace.

REAL WILD WEST PARADE PASSES THROUGH PARIS.

Paris.—A gala performance of "Faust" at the opera, with Marshal Foch and General Pershing as the specially honored guests, concluded the notable joint French and American celebration of the Fourth of July. The day opened with an early morning review commemorating France's participation in the American Revolution and the celebration afforded varied entertainment for the thousands of American soldiers marking time in Paris while awaiting transportation home.

There was even a real wild west parade down the Champs Elysees and through the Place de La Concorde, given by an American army circus showing in Paris. The cowboys, cowgirls and Indians, riding gaily through the Place de La Concorde to the music of a wild west band, proved a far greater attraction to the French than the brilliant military spectacle.

HOHENZOLLERNERS ARE NOT CONSIDERED PRISONERS.

Amsterdam.—The Telegraaf understands that the attitude of the Dutch government regarding the ex-kaiser may be summarized as follows:

First of all, it should be made clear that a recent message about the alleged flight of the crown prince was based upon the misconception that the Hohenzollerns are prisoners. On the contrary, they have full liberty to leave and their departure would even be welcomed by the government.

GEN. FELIPE ANGELES



Gen. Felipe Angeles, who has been proclaimed provisional president of Mexico by General Villa and his followers.

NO LONGER ANY SOCIAL LIFE

Recent Executions No Longer Consist of Ones and Twos But of Whole Groups by Machine Guns.

Heisingers.—It is hardly possible to recognize Petrograd owing to the terrible change within a month. Terror has so increased that nobody speaks in the street, trains or public places. People only regard one another suspiciously, fearing informers. Soldiers especially avoid prevalence of provocators of the red army.

Social life to all intents has ceased. In every house there is only one entry, either the front or back door being silently shut or at whichever is open a communist sentry is posted. He demands of all incomers first-place identity papers; also their right to walk in the street, and then questions as to whom they are going to see, who lives in the family, what they do, what is the business of the visitors. If the answer is satisfactory, they pass in; if unsatisfactory, they are arrested, taken to the commissariat and thence to the fortress of Peter and Paul where they generally are shot without question.

The recent executions carried out at Peter and Paul are no longer in one's and two's but in whole groups by a special machine gun detachment. The bodies are mostly thrown in the Neva.

BEER QUESTION NOT NOW ONE OF LAW BUT MATTER OF FACT.

Washington.—Contending that no court may say, as a matter of law, what percentage of alcohol in liquor makes it intoxicating, the judiciary committee, in a report to the house on prohibition enforcement legislation declared this was a question of fact and not law, and as such was clearly within the province of Congress.

The committee held that the right of Congress to define "intoxicating liquor" as a beverage containing more than one-half of one percent alcohol was in full accord with its constitutional powers, and that every state, in dealing with alcoholic liquors, had named products of that percentage as intoxicating and had either prohibited use of such liquors or subjected them to heavy tax.

"To define what is intoxicating does not trespass on the province of the court," said the majority report prepared by Chairman Volstead.

HOLLAND WARNED NOT TO LET KAISER GET AWAY.

London.—The allied governments have represented to the government of Holland the necessity of taking steps to prevent the departure of the former German emperor from Holland. C. B. Harmsworth, under-secretary of state for foreign affairs, announced in the house of commons.

BOMBARD IRISH TOWNS, CHARGE AGAINST BRITISH

Paris.—Irish American delegates here in the interest of the Irish independence movement, sent a new note to Premier Clemenceau in which they charged the British with bombarding Irish towns from airplanes, "wantonly murdering women and children." They said also the British are issuing frequent orders of banishment. They asked the appointment of a special investigation commission.

PLAN SYSTEMATIC COTTON CAMPAIGN

\$400,000,000 NEEDED FOR HANDLING BUT ONE-FOURTH OF GROWING CROP.

PLEASANT WIRES APPROVAL

New Corporation Will Not Conflict With \$100,000,000 Cotton Export Financing Concern.

New Orleans.—Plans for a systematic campaign in the cotton belt for organizing counties of the states for handling the annual crop were launched here at the second meeting at the present conference of directors of the American Cotton association. J. S. Wannamaker, of Columbia, S. C., president, said that \$400,000,000 would be needed for forming the planned corporation to properly dispose of one fourth of the crop.

This corporation, according to President Wannamaker, will not conflict with the proposed \$100,000,000 cotton export financing corporation, as the former will limit its work to cotton for domestic use.

Governor Ruffin Pleasant, Louisiana, chairman of the executive committee of the export organization, telegraphed his approval of the domestic organization, and W. B. Thompson, of New Orleans, a director of the export corporation, explained to the American Cotton association the plans of the former.

The plans for organizing, adopted include the forming of county and parish organizations in every cotton growing state and a resolution was adopted requesting commissioners of agriculture and presidents of farmers' unions to issue joint calls for the first meetings.

Telegrams are being sent to governors of cotton growing states and presidents of organizations interested requesting that state meetings be called in July.

KONENKAMP HAS CALLED OFF GREAT TELEGRAPHERS STRIKE

Chicago.—The strike of telegraphers was called off by S. J. Koenekamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America.

President Koenekamp called off the strike after he had conferred with other officials of the union.

A statement addressed to the members of the organization by President Koenekamp read in part:

"When the present strike was declared against the telegraph companies under control of the wire administration, it was understood it would not be made an endurance contest. The strike was to be the final protest against the unfair and unjust treatment we have received since August, 1918, at the hands of the wire administration.

"We realized that in order to make this protest effective it would be necessary to make the strike sufficiently acute to compel action. This does not seem possible now, either through our efforts or the efforts of others we relied upon to help us. Acting upon this conclusion and with a view to a riving your best interests, I hereby declare the strike at an end, and you are instructed to work without further delay. You have made a gallant struggle for your rights as American workmen and women.

WANTS NO MORE TROOPS SENT OVER INTO MEXICO.

Mexico City.—Ygnacio Bonillas, Mexican ambassador to the United States, on his return to Washington, will ask for an agreement from the White House that no American troops be sent across the border and also that the United States institute measures that will absolutely prevent the smuggling of arms and ammunition to rebels in northern Mexico, it was learned officially.

HIGH COST OF LIVING CAUSES RIOT IN ITALY

Fori, Italy.—After a great meeting here in which a vast crowd protested against the high cost of living, the people, excited by inflammatory speeches, attacked, sacked and destroyed many shops which refused to sell commodities at lower prices.

Soon the fury of the mob made no distinction and had no limits. All the principal shops were plundered, and the mobs controlled the entire city.

OVER THE LAND OF THE LONG LEAF PINE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Hickory.—Homer Rowman, city mail carrier, is in Raleigh taking the Pasteur treatment as the result of being bitten by a small dog last week while he was making his rounds with the mail.

New Bern.—Mr. Ossian Lang, War Camp Community Service organizer, was in the city looking after a local Community Service club in New Bern. He has been conferring with the local committee appointed by the commission.

Richmond, Va.—A. M. Mills, well-to-do citizen of Tabor, Columbus county, N. C., has been missing from Westbrook Sanitarium and it is feared that he has committed suicide.

Raleigh.—Mrs. J. Crawford Biggs has been appointed by the Woman's Club as Child Welfare Advisor for Wake county to act with two men, who will be appointed to similar positions.

Hickory.—A head of cabbage that weighed 17 1/2 pounds with all the leaves on it and tipped the scales at 14 pounds, when thoroughly pruned, was exhibited here by Julius Whisnant, of Longview. The big head was raised in Mr. Whisnant's garden.

Washington.—It was announced by the department of agriculture that fall fertilizers would be cheaper in the Southern states. The average price would be about 30 per cent lower than spring.

Raleigh.—Dr. George J. Ramsey, federal director of the United States employment service in North Carolina, has accepted the position of director of the rural church survey, to be conducted under the auspices of the inter-church world movement.

Greensboro.—Col. A. V. P. Anderson, who has seen several months' service in France with artillery, has arrived in Greensboro to assume command of army recruiting in North Carolina.

Monroe has purchased a new fire siren of the latest type. It has been located on a 25-foot tower on the fire station roof and tested. The siren is guaranteed to wake all sleeping people, except deaf mutes, within a radius of three miles.

Wadesboro.—An airplane landing field will doubtless be established here at an early date. The one at Redfern's field has proved to be very acceptable to the airplanes which have visited Wadesboro up to this time.

Elon College.—It is learned here through official channels that the work of grading, fencing and building new grandstands for the athletic park of Elon College is to begin soon.

Asheville.—The 45th annual convention of the North Carolina Dental society adjourned after electing officers and selecting the place for holding the 1920 meeting. Dr. T. Martin, of Benson, was elected president.

Wilmington.—Before the ruins of the Seashore hotel had ceased smoldering Capt. Edgar L. Hinton, chief owner and manager, had declared that when the 1920 season opens a new fireproof structure will be ready for guests on the site of the destroyed building.

Washington.—A civil service examination will be held here September 24 for presidential postmaster at Andrews.

Fourth class postmasters have been commissioned as follows: Acton, Maude G. Rogers; Terr, William T. Reynolds.

Roy L. Gudger has been designated presidential postmaster at Marshall.

Charlotte.—The body of Dr. Edward W. Currie, who died of pneumonia at Tranquil Park sanitarium, here, was taken to Davidson for funeral ceremony and interment. Dr. Currie was a prominent physician, of Salisbury.

Gastonia.—Another building is to be built in Gastonia. It is not to be a cotton mill but a \$150,000 hospital. Dr. L. N. Glenn and J. M. Sloan, local physicians, are the promoters. Plans and specifications have been obtained and the work is to be commenced at once.