

FIGHT ON RATIFICATION PEACE PACT TO CENTER ON ARTICLE 10, IS BELIEF

INDICATION OF DIFFICULTY TO BE OVERCOME IS SEEN IN REJECTION OF "COMPROMISE."

HITCHCOCK WILL NOT ACCEPT

Says "Heralded Compromise" Is More Abject Surrender of Democrats Than the Original Lodge Reservation Proposed.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Indications of difficulties that must be overcome before the senate can reach a compromise on Article 10 in the league of nations covenant was seen today in the rejection by Democratic Leader Hitchcock of the widely heralded "compromise" submitted by the mild reservationists.

Senator Hitchcock declared that the acceptance of the "compromise" by the democrats would involve even more abject surrender than the original Lodge reservation proposed.

The compromise modification of the Lodge reservation, which Senator Lodge declared has been accepted by the mild reservationists, provides that "The United States assumes no obligation to preserve by use of its military or naval forces, or by boycott, or by any other means the territorial integrity or political independence of any other nation, etc."

GERMANS WILL NOT ASK ALLIED GUILTY

FRENCH FOREIGN OFFICE DISCREDITS REPORT OF GERMAN RETALIATION.

(By United Press.)

PARIS, Feb. 12.—The French foreign office today discredited the report that Germany intends to present a list of alleged allied guilty, as a reply to the allied demands for the surrender of German accused of war crimes.

HIGH SCHOOL TO MEET MASSEY

WILL MEET FAST PREP SCHOOL TEAM AT PULASKI FRIDAY EVENING.

The boys' basketball team of the High School will go to Pulaski Friday evening for a game with the fast Massey prep school and a hard fought game no doubt will be the result, as Massey has been doing lots of hard work since the defeat suffered here at the hands of Coach McDaniels' aggregation.

The High School is still playing in great form, and has won practically every game played this season, the Morgan game being an exception, losing this game by a narrow margin.

Since the first of the season the High School has met and defeated Winchester High, Massey, Branham & Hughes, Hume-Fogg, Vanderbilt Scrubs and Lewisburg.

SPLENDID RECITAL AT HIGH SCHOOL

LARGE CROWD ENJOYS MUSICAL NUMBERS GIVEN BY PUPILS OF MRS. HENRY A. PORTER.

Recital given at the High School auditorium last night by the music pupils of Mrs. Henry A. Porter, assisted by Miss Annie Grace O'Callaghan and Miss Florence B. Edwards, was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

The pupils of Mrs. Porter executed some most difficult numbers in a most charming manner, showing the result of the splendid training they have received.

Misses O'Callaghan and Edwards are already too well known as entertainers of rare merit, to need further comment, the former as a soloist, and the latter as a reader, always are received with applause by Columbia audiences.

KAISER FORBIDS SURRENDER OF CROWN PRINCE

WILHELM ASKS DUTCH GOVERNMENT TO PREVENT SON'S SURRENDER TO ALLIES.

CROWN PRINCE OFFERS HIMSELF

Would Suffer for the War Crimes of Germany Instead of Some Eight Hundred of His Countrymen Demanded by Allies for Trial.

(By United Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The former Kaiser has forbidden his son, the former crown prince, to surrender himself to the allies, and has requested the Dutch government to prevent such a procedure, the Kreuz Zeitung said today.

A cable received at Washington Tuesday addressed to President Wilson said that Frederick William would surrender himself to the allies for trial, if the charges against the other accused Germans were dismissed.

MEN JUSTIFIED IN EXECUTING LAW

JUDGE RULES THAT THIS SENTIMENT IS NOT GROUNDS FOR CHALLENGE OF JURYMEN.

(By United Press.)

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 12.—"Men sometimes are justified in taking the law into their own hands," said C. B. Weiss, a cattleman today on being examined for jury service in the Bisbee kidnaping trial here.

Judge Pattee ruled that such belief was insufficient grounds for a challenge, which was considered one of the most important rulings of the trial.

S. M. Bull caused a ripple of amusement in court when in describing his residence he said, "I live a hundred yards from Mexico."

SCHOOL IN SIXTH DISTRICT BURNS

BLAZE TOTALLY DESTROYS PORTER'S CHURCH SCHOOL HOUSE THIS AFTERNOON.

Fire, originating from a defective fire Thursday at 12:30 o'clock totally destroyed the Porter's Church school house in the sixth civil district. The school building was valued at between \$1,500 and \$2,000 and is insured.

It is said that some forty children were in attendance, the teachers being Miss Kate Holt and Miss Susie Lindsey. The children saved their books.

It is not known how the remainder of the term will be completed, but citizens of the community are making plans to house the school until a new building can be erected.

MORGAN DEFEATS C. M. A. FIVE

MILITARY ACADEMY DROPS FAST GAME TO BOYS FROM PETERSBURG LAST NIGHT.

In a fast and well played game the heavy Morgan school from Petersburg walloped the C. M. A. quintette last night to the tune of eighteen to nine. The outstanding feature of the game was the fact that out of the ten men representing the two schools on the floor, three of them were McKibbons, the two elder boys being members of the Military Academy squad, while the younger played a snappy game with the Petersburg aggregation.

DOES COLUMBIA WANT BASEBALL COMING SEASON?

ALABAMA FAN SUGGESTS FORMATION OF ALABAMA-TENNESSEE SIX CLUB LEAGUE.

WANTS COLUMBIA FANS TO AGREE

Suggests That Enthusiasts of This City Hold Meeting to Determine Whether or Not Entrance Into the League Will Be Sought.

Does Columbia want to play league ball this season? Then gather around fans, while we spill the latest dope, the first harbinger of spring.

This morning The Herald received a letter from M. R. Rankin, well known citizen of Albany, Alabama, suggesting the formation of a league which would include Columbia.

The letter is self explanatory and follows in full:

Dear Sir—The writer, together with several other men in our city, are desirous of forming a baseball league for the spring and summer of 1920 and would like to get five other cities in North Alabama and Southern Tennessee to go in with us and form a league, with a certain number of games to play.

I would be glad if you would hand this letter to some good baseball fan in your city, or give it publication, with the request that if there is interest enough in this proposition, we would like to call a meeting here, and see if we can get together in the matter.

Will thank you to let me hear from you promptly in the matter.

Yours very truly,
M. R. RANKIN.

Columbia has quite a number of rabid baseball enthusiasts, and it is not unlikely that stock sufficient to guarantee the operation of a club here could be sold within a short time.

If those who are interested in the organization of a league will keep in touch with The Herald, the matter will be kept before the public.

BARTON SUCCEEDS SECRETARY LANE

SHIPPING BOARD HEAD TO BECOME SECRETARY OF DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—John Barton Payne today was named secretary of the interior, to succeed Franklin K. Lane, who leaves office March 1. Payne is at present chairman of the shipping board. His nomination was sent to the senate today by President Wilson, it was announced at the White House.

SUBMITS TO FINE WHEEL TAX CASE

SEVERAL CASES DISPOSED OF IN CRIMINAL COURT, OTHER CASES SET FOR FEB. 27.

Several cases have been disposed of in criminal court as follows: Don Holt, charged with public drunkenness, has been dismissed on account of insufficient evidence.

Tom Love, charged with violating the wheel tax law, submitted his case and accepted a minimum fine of \$5 and costs, which was suspended for thirty days pending application for a pardon.

The case of Riggs Jackson, charged with selling liquor without license, was set for Feb. 27, as was the case against Henry Gibson, who is charged with petit larceny.

These latter cases will practically bring the February term of court to an end.

LETTS AND REDS SIGN ARMISTICE

(By United Press.) LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Letts and Bolsheviks have signed an armistice, a dispatch from Riga said today.

ENLOE DEFENDS THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

EXPECTS STATE TO DERIVE GREAT BENEFITS FROM EQUITABLE ASSESSMENT.

SAYS NEW ASSESSMENT IS JUST

Believes Capital Will Be Attracted to State When Tennessee Reduces Her Tax Rate—Cites Instances of Unjust Assessment.

Col. B. A. Enloe, chairman of the railroad and public utilities commission, has addressed a somewhat lengthy communication to The Herald, with reference to the new tax assessments of the state.

Col. Enloe's letter follows:

In May last the state board of equalization published a statement explaining its plans for the assessment of all the property in the state at its actual cash value.

In the further progress of the work made since that time volumes of evidence have been added to the record which have demonstrated the impossibility of making a legal and constitutional assessment by the application of any percentage rule to the former assessment. Three concrete cases, one from each grand division of the state, which we shall now mention, show the utter wrong of proceeding by any other method than the plan of this board to value each piece and each class of property at its actual cash value.

One corporation in West Tennessee was assessed in 1918 at a little over \$300,000.00. The sworn testimony of witnesses acquainted with the property, shows that it should have been assessed at \$3,000,000.00, or ten times the former assessment. On the other hand, proof taken by this board shows that there are many thousands of pieces of property in West Tennessee assessed at from 50 to 75 per cent, and some even as high as 90 per cent of their value. It will be seen that the application of the percentage rule to these various properties, doubling the assessment for an illustration, the property of this corporation would have been assessed at one-fifth of its value, while the thousands of other taxpayers would have had their property assessed at from 100 to 150 per cent of the actual cash value.

In East Tennessee a large foreign corporation had its property assessed at \$25,000.00. When called upon by the representatives of this board for an appraisal of the same property, the company made a showing of \$5,000,000.00 in value upon which it is willing to be assessed. The assessment of (Continued on Fifth Page.)

BETTER WIRE SERVICE BE GIVEN COLUMBIA

WESTERN UNION OFFICE WILL BE OPEN SEVEN DAYS PER WEEK IN FUTURE.

STUDENTS BENEFITED BY LUNCHESES SERVED

INTERESTING MEETING OF PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION IS HELD.

(By United Press.)

At the regular meeting of the Parent Teachers Association on Friday afternoon, February sixth, the benefits derived from lunches served to the public in the last month was discussed.

The teachers of the school reported that the physical condition of many children had improved and the scholarship of those had kept pace.

The per cent of daily grades and attendance has been promoted greatly by these lunches. Too much praise cannot be accorded the mothers of this association for the great good being accomplished by their untiring services.

A splendid paper on Physical Development of Children was read by Mrs. S. R. Hardison and discussed by the members present.

WILL MATTHEWS SELLS TWO SADDLE HORSES

ONE TO MISSISSIPPI; ONE TO GEORGIA—HANDSOME SUM OF \$700 PAID.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The senate adjourned today as a mark of respect to the memory of Abraham Lincoln. The adjournment followed the reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg address by Senator Keys, who read from the original manuscript in Lincoln's handwriting, which has been in the Keys family for many years.

SENATE HONORS LINCOLN'S MEMORY

AFTER READING GETTYSBURG ADDRESS, UPPER HOUSE TAKES ADJOURNMENT.

Will Matthews sold two Maury county saddle horses Wednesday for which he received \$700 cash. One of these horses goes to a gentleman by the name of Potts, of Atlanta, for \$500, and one goes to a gentleman by the name of Ritchie, of Clarksville, Miss., for \$400. These horses are considered two of the best horses ever shipped out of Maury county.

GRAND JURY TO BE IN SESSION HERE ON MONDAY

BELIEVED JUDGE TURNER WILL CHARGE JURY ON DOG AND WHEEL TAX VIOLATIONS.

SOME CONFUSION EXISTS NOW

Constitutionality of Wheel Tax Law Has Been Passed Upon Since Last Session of Circuit Court—Status of Dog Law Needs Explanation.

When the grand jury meets Monday, there are a number of interesting points of law, on which it is believed Judge Turner will specifically instruct the jurymen.

It is believed that he will call special attention to the violation of the dog law, explaining that it was not on the grounds of unconstitutionality that scores of cases against dog owners for failing to pay tax were thrown out of court, but merely because the indictments were not properly drawn. In other words, the indictments were drawn after dog owners had actually paid the tax, therefore the indictment was invalid. So far as Maury county is concerned the dog law still holds good, and owners of dogs are being assessed by county Assessor Webb Williams, who will also collect the tax.

It is expected that Judge Turner will also explain the status of the wheel tax law, the constitutionality of this measure having been attacked in court since the last session of the grand jury, and it being held by Judge Whitthorne in criminal court that the law is constitutional, therefore those who have failed to pay this tax are laying themselves liable to prosecution.

Lewisburg Man Dies in Columbia

Body of A. O. Ramsey is Shipped to His Home for Burial Wednesday.

(By United Press.)

The body of A. O. Ramsey, who died at the King's Daughters hospital Tuesday night was shipped to his home in Lewisburg yesterday for interment in the family burying ground.

Mr. Ramsey had been in failing health for some time, and had been in the local hospital for some ten days. He was twenty-four years of age, and is survived by his wife and several brothers and sisters.

Fred Christley Joins the Fifth Cavalry

Hears the Call of His Country—Attached to Headquarters Company.

(By United Press.)

Fred Christley, who has for the past several weeks been employed in the circulation department of The Herald, has enlisted in the army of Uncle Sam. Fred left this morning for Nashville, from there he goes to Fort Oglethorpe where he will be fitted with uniform and sent on to Marfa, Texas, where he will be assigned to duty in the Fifth Cavalry. He will be attached to the headquarters company and assigned to office work. Young Christley is a brother of Norman Christley, of this city, who holds an important position with the Columbia Ice & Cold Storage Company.

Carl Oliver to Be in Trustee's Office

Will Assist in Collections During Absence of Trustee J. Ross Burns.

(By United Press.)

During the absence of Trustee J. Ross Burns, who is in Florida, Carl Oliver will assist Deputy Davis Mitchell in the collection of taxes. Mr. Oliver is a member of the firm of Oliver Bros. is too well known to Maury countians to need an introduction. For some time he was employed at the trustee's office and knows the work of the office from A to Izzard.

"NOTHING BUT INCREASED WAGE CAN STOP STRIKE" SAYS BROTHERHOOD MAN

DEMANDS MUST BE GRANTED OR 300,000 MEN WILL WALK OUT TUESDAY, CAYS MALLOY.

MT. PLEASANT TO SEND DELEGATES TO LODGE MEET

JUNIOR ORDER IS EXPECTING GREAT MEETING TO BE HELD HERE TONIGHT.

TO DISCUSS TEACHER'S SALARY

Patriotic Organization Believes That None But Best Teachers Should Be Employed to Mould Characters of the Youth of America.

A delegation from the Mt. Pleasant Lodge, J. O. U. A. M. will meet with the Columbia Lodge tonight for the purpose of discussing higher pay for school teachers of the state and nation. It is expected that the meeting of the lodge tonight will be largely attended, as members of the local lodge are greatly interested in the welfare of public schools, and stand squarely behind any movement that will tend to increase the pay of those who instruct the youth of America.

Members of the order say that with the exception of the mother, the school teacher does more to mould the character of the child than any one agency, therefore, none but the best teachers should be employed. In order to secure good teachers, it is going to be necessary to pay higher salaries. Members of the order believe that this is one of the best preventative against Bolshevism, and an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Light refreshments will be served by the Columbia lodge, with cigars on the side.

R. L. Hayes Buys Large Tract Land

Will Hold Big Auction Sale of Lots About April First of This Year.

(By United Press.)

Riggs L. Hayes has just returned from Cooper, Texas, where he closed a deal for a large tract of land at \$400 per acre. It is the purpose of Hayes & Jackson to hold a large auction sale of this property about April first.

The tract will be cut up into small tracts and sold to the highest bidder. Mr. Hayes is greatly pleased with his purchase, and as the auction business is one of his long suits, he is right in clover on this deal.

Local Merchants Offer Good Prizes

National Essay Contest is Creating Much Interest Among School Children.

Here is the national army recruit essay contest. All school children who are competing, watch for the prizes. Practically all of the local dealers in town are enthusiastic supporters of the contest and all are going to be in the game. Here are one or two of the prizes but the complete list will be published later:

The Smart Shop offers the winning girl a pair of kid gloves. Columbia Bank & Trust Co. offers \$5.00 in cash, and Ritters Grocery Company, W. W. Evans & Co. and the Maury Dry Goods Co. are among those offering prizes in merchandise.

The latest news from Nashville shows over a hundred prizes there. Here is our goal: A first, second and third prize for the town; a first, second and third prize for the county; a prize for the winning girl and the winning boy in every grade from the fifth to senior high school inclusive, and a first, second and a third prize for each school in the contest, and they are all in it. That gives all the local dealers a chance to be represented, and even the little fifth graders have a chance at a prize. But don't forget the trip to Washington and the gold medal.

Wilson is to Meet Committee

Secretary Tumulty Obtains Statement From Director General Hines Regarding Wage Controversy—President to Study Situation.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—Secretary Tumulty conferred with Director General of Railroads Hines early today. Tumulty obtained Director Hines' statement of the railroad wage controversy to lay before President Wilson.

Brotherhood officials say the putting the question up to Wilson will not cause the cancellation on the strike order, effective on Tuesday, and already sent to 300,000 members of the United Brotherhood of the Maintenance of Way employes. Vice President John Malloy of the Brotherhood said today "The only thing that will avert our strike is the granting of our demands—a cash wage advance is what our men want."

It was announced this morning that President Wilson will meet a delegation of three railroad and union officials at 10:30 tomorrow morning.

Wilson May Preside Over Cabinet Meet

Report Indicates That President is Rapidly Regaining Strength.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—President Wilson will probably preside over a meeting of the cabinet this afternoon, it was learned today.