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The latest novelties in materials, the newest thoughts in style. And the largest variety of distinct models in Silk and Lingerie Blouses we've yet shown, and ALL SPECIALLY PRICED.

Prices Cover Every Lingerie Blouse in Stock

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Second Floor.

CITY READY TO PAY OUT $280,873 INTEREST MONEY

Will Send Checks To-Morrow to Holders of Richmond Municipal Bonds.

TOTAL DEBT NOW $14,252,000

Retirement of $405,000 in Bonds To-Morrow Will Leave City's Total Bonded Indebtedness Still $3,750,000 Less Than Its Limit.

City Auditor Crenshaw will to-morrow mail interest checks aggregating $280,873 to holders of Richmond city bonds. The city's creditors reside all over the United States, and the interest money will be widely scattered. A large proportion of the bonds are held by residents of this city. The payment represents six months' interest on the total indebtedness at an average rate of 4 per cent per annum.

At the same time Mr. Crenshaw will transfer to the redemption fund of the city the sum of $127,847. This represents the required semiannual redemption fund payment of three-fourths of 1 per cent of the total indebtedness. This will bring the sinking fund total to about $3,350,000—the amount that will be in hand for the retirement of the city's obligations and the payment of interest. At the same time with the payment of the $280,873 in interest the city will retire outstanding and maturing bonds to the sum of $405,000.

CITY IS WELL WITHIN ITS BONDING LIMIT

The total city debt at this time is $14,657,000. The net bonded indebtedness of the city after deducting the bonds that will be retired to-morrow will be $14,252,000. This includes the various bond issues that have been assumed as the result of annexation.

Counting the property values which became subject to the city taxation as the result of annexation, Richmond's bonding limit is approximately $18,000,000. It appears from these figures, therefore, that the city's total indebtedness is still $3,750,000 less than the bonding limit allowed it by law. The new assessment will become effective as of February 1, 1916, will increase the bonding limit to approximately $20,000,000.

POST-OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Postmaster Thornton Issues Orders for New Year's Day.

Holiday hours will be observed at the Richmond post-office, substations and branch offices to-morrow as follows:

Executive division will be open from 9 to 11 A. M. Cashier's office will be open from 9 to 11 A. M. Stamp window will be open from 9 to 11 A. M. Money order division will be open from 9 to 11 A. M. General delivery window will be open from 9 to 11 A. M. Registry division will be open from 9 to 11 A. M. Parcel post divisions will be open from 9 to 11 A. M.

Carriers will make deliveries as follows: Two and three-trip carriers will make one delivery, reporting at 7 A. M., and collecting boxes on their routes. Four-trip carriers will make two deliveries, reporting at 6:45 A. M., and collecting boxes on their routes.

Dispatches to stations as follows: "A"—6:15 and 10:30 A. M. Registers on first dispatch. "B"—6 and 10:40 A. M. Registers on first dispatch. Stations A, B, and Manchester, will observe same window hours as main office.

WAR WILL DETERMINE TYPE OF CIVILIZATION

Question at Issue on Battlefields of Europe Not Merely Commercial Rivalry.

GERMANY'S RAPID GROWTH

Mrs. Sally Ould Donaldson Delivers Interesting Lecture on Conditions in Europe at Woman's Club—Has Large Audience.

"The rattling of the sabre in the scabbard," was the way Mrs. Sally Ould Donaldson described the peace policy followed by Germany during the past thirty years, in her lecture on the current war, given yesterday before the Woman's Club.

Out of the mass of facts presented by the war theatre Mrs. Donaldson has gathered interesting data which she placed clearly before her audience, giving a few of the reasons for this great struggle which to many seems an unreasonable and unreasoning cataclysm.

"The war," said Mrs. Donaldson, "is primarily one between Germany and England. France is simply fighting for her national existence."

Germany was described as having grown so tremendously in the time intervening between the Franco-Prussian War and the present, that colonies were needed to take care of its people. At that time Germany was poverty stricken, and it was enabled to rise to present heights by reason of the 5,000,000,000 francs indemnity laid upon France at the close of that struggle.

WILL DETERMINE FUTURE TYPE OF CIVILIZATION

Now, the question according to the speaker, is not only one of commercial rivalry, but as a result of this war will be determined the type of civilization the world will recognize as the highest. Germany wishes to impose upon all nations its particular brand that includes a sacrificial love for the Fatherland; its military training from the cradle to the grave; that unquestioned efficiency to serve the nation as a whole at the sacrifice of individuality.

The type of civilization that English rule would encourage would be the growth of the individual and more freedom of thought.

"But civilization must come from within, said the speaker, "and all nations must make their contributions."

Mrs. Donaldson gave a detailed comparison of the German and English governments, showing the former with all power vested in the Kaiser; and the latter as controlled by the House of Commons, or the people, the English King and House of Lords being only governmental figureheads.

"And because he is all powerful the world blames the entrance into the fray on the German Emperor. As a matter of fact, no one nation is responsible, but it was brought about by the industrial revolutions of the world."

"The persistent rumors to-day are that Italy, Greece and Roumania will enter the fray on the side of the allies, and this will practically include the whole of Europe in the stupendous world war."

Support Families or Go to Jail.

Two negroes, charged with failure to provide for and support their families after being ordered to do so by Justice Crutchfield, were yesterday sentenced to ninety days in jail when arraigned in court. They were Andrew Timberlake and James Harris.

SKETCHES FROM LIFE - By Temple

"N' Put in Some Candy"

BOARD FAILS TO ELECT MANAGER FOR BUREAU

Candidates for Job Are Disappointed When Election Is Postponed Until January 11.

PERFECTS ITS ORGANIZATION

John T. Wilson Made Permanent Chairman of City Employment Bureau Board—Numerous Candidates Are Out for Managership.

Contrary of the expectations of many, the newly created Public Employment Bureau Board of Richmond last night in its meeting at the City Hall perfected its own organization, but failed to elect a permanent manager and secretary for the bureau. Interest for many days has centred about the election of a manager for the organization, and the failure of the board last night to enter into the election of a man for the position was the source of disappointment. Numerous candidates are out for the job, and they will await with keen interest the result of the vote by the board which will be taken on January 11.

The board of five, which will have exclusive charge of the Municipal Employment Bureau, is composed of Frank L. Butler, Frank A. Jones, Thomas J. Leahey, Robert L. Patram and John T. Wilson. Permanent officers of the board were elected last night as follows: John T. Wilson, permanent chairman; Robert L. Patram, vice-chairman, and Frank L. Butler, secretary.

A resolution, introduced by Frank A. Jones, suggesting that the board meet on the first and third Friday in each month, and asking that the manager and secretary be instructed to make certain reports to the board at stated intervals, was unanimously adopted.

JONES AND PATRAM WANTED TO ELECT AT ONCE

Mr. Jones and Mr. Patram last night urged that the board enter at once into the election of a manager and a secretary, but the three other members of the board dissented. The position of manager of the bureau will carry a salary of $1,500 annually, and that of assistant manager $900 annually. The board was designed primarily to furnish work for men out of employment, regardless of creed or political affiliation.

Keen rivalry in the selection of persons to fill the new offices is evident. For the position of assistant manger, Miss Francis H. Overby, public stenographer, and president of the Stenographers' Association of Richmond, is being urged.

Numerous candidates are afield for the position of manager. Prominent among them are: James J. Creamer, inspector in the Gas Department; James E. Dickerson, chief clerk in the Water Department; Harry Tucker, newspaper reporter; Clarence E. Bottoms, machinist; E. C. Davison, machinist, and president of the State Federation of Labor; Wortley Dickie, manager for the Franklin Gum Company; I. W. Throckmorton, architect, and others.

It is likely that members of the board of five will hold conference prior to the regular meeting on January 11, for the purpose of investigating the fitness and competency of the various applicants for the position of manager before reaching a final decision in the appointment of a man for the place.

SALVATION ARMY HELPS

Doles Out Fuel and Food to Line, Which Gains in Length Daily.

At the Salvation Army headquarters yesterday more than 250 families were provided with the necessities of life. Food, fuel and clothing were given out, and 200 loaves of bread donated to the Army were distributed.

The coal line at the headquarters is gaining in length daily. Poor people—men, women and children—are lined up daily with buckets, baskets, bags or any receptacles that can hold fuel. Wood has been donated by some out-of-town people and it will be distributed as necessity demands.

Examination Waived.

Preliminary examination was waived in the Police Court yesterday by Frank James, colored, charged with the murder of Thomas Richardson, and the case was certified for the Hustings Court. The man was shot during a street quarrel. James who was arrested by Policeman Whitlock claims self-defense.

Fined for Interfering With Police.

John James, colored, charged with interfering with Policeman Whitlock while that officer was endeavoring to arrest his brother on a charge of murder, was yesterday fined $10 and costs in the Police Court.

WILL ARGUE DEMURRER IN SUIT OF I. J. SMITH

Contract Named City Engineer as Sole Arbitrator in Events of Any Difference.

CLAIM IS FOR EXTRA WORK

City Holds That Profiles Showing Bed Rock Were Approximate Only, and That Contractor Should Have Made His Own Examination.

City Attorney Pollard and Assistant City Attorney George Wayne Anderson will appear before Judge Wells, of Hustings Court, Part II., to-morrow morning to argue the city's demurrer to the evidence introduced before that court by I. J. Smith & Co., in its suit for $57,000, which, it claims, is due it from the city for extra work done in connection with the Mayo Bridge contract.

The taking of evidence was completed last week. The construction company introduced witnesses whose testimony tended to support the company's claim that the extra compensation it asked was reasonable. The claim for extra compensation is based on the allegation that the city invited bids on a profile prepared by the City Engineer, which failed to show the true bed rock line of the river. In order to place the foundation of the piers on the true bed rock, the company claims, it was compelled to do much extra concrete work that was not contemplated in its contract with the city.

CITY CLAIMS SPECIFICATIONS WERE ONLY APPROXIMATE

The city has taken the stand that the contract with I. J. Smith & Co., clearly described the City Engineer's profile as approximate and not guaranteed, and that it was, therefore, the company's business to verify the estimates before bidding on the work. Moreover, the city contends, the contract expressly names the City Engineer as the sole arbitrator in the event of any differences that should arise during the filling or after the completion of the contract.

A previous attempt on the part of the construction company to secure a payment of its claim through appeal to the Administrative Board resulted in a recommendation by the City Engineer that the city allow the company $12,000 in full payment of its claim for extra compensation. The company was dissatisfied with the award, and brought suit for $57,000 in Hustings Court, Part II.

Labor Cases Set for Tuesday.

Warrants issued against eight laundries and other commercial establishments in Richmond on complaint of inspectors from the State Department of Labor were served yesterday, the accused owners and managers being summoned to appear in Police Court next Tuesday. The cases involve alleged violations of the law prohibiting the working of females in stores or industrial establishments more than ten hours a day and the Statae sanitary laws. The evidence in these cases was worked up by Miss Lillie Barbour and J. Bernard Clinedinst.

WARM SUN COMES TO AID OF ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

Deliveries of Fuel Are Completed, and Plans Are Being Made to Fill Next Demand.

COLORED DEPARTMENT RUSHED

Forced to Close Doors After Giving Emergency Food to 400 Families. Money Is Urgently Needed Now to Prepare for Coming Cold Spell.

Contributions for Associated Charities

Cash	$ 1 00
M. P. Harris	2 00
Received yesterday	$ 3 00
Previously acknowledged	609 77
Total received	$612.77

Contributions for relief of the unemployed of Richmond may be sent to The Times-Dispatch. They will be promptly acknowledged, and will be expended in relief of worthy individuals, without publicity, but with close supervision.

With the advent of the sun and comparative warmth yesterday, the Associated Charities was enabled to catch up with its deliveries of fuel to the poor of the city. The melting snow brought horse-drawn vehicles out again, and there was no trouble experienced in getting sufficient wagons to do the hauling, while the warm atmosphere reduced the number of emergency calls to a minimum.

Dr. Buchanan, however, is not letting up in his preparations for a real cold siege. Yesterday he put thirty-five men to work sawing up wood to fill the all but depleted bins, which were heavily drawn upon during the past few days. A like number of men will be given employment to-day.

While there was a slight let up yesterday, it is only temporary, and the next lowering of the themometer will again bring out the army of the unemployed seeking immediate relief. The situation, according to Dr. Buchanan, is well in hand, as the majority of the cases of absolute want have been reported to him, and all that remains now is to get the sinews of war—money with which to purchase supplies—and to give it out as needed.

ANXIOUS TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT, IF ONLY FOR SMALL FEES

The Associated Charities is running a small employment bureau in connection with its work, and is anxious to have people provide some odd jobs, if nothing else for its applicants. If the people of Richmond would only look around their premises, says Dr. Buchanan, they would find innumerable little things that should be attended to. The repairs could be done cheaply, and some poor man could be given employment if only for a day.

Clothing is still needed, and several men were sent around yesterday collecting bundles from those who notified Dr. Buchanan that they had articles to give. Bedding is another thing for which there is imperative need.

The negro emergency department, which was established only a few days ago, was swamped yesterday and was forced to close its doors. Being only a makeshift, this department is not given the elaborate care of the other, and consequently the number of calls has grown phenomenally. Yesterday more than 400 calls for food were received.

MONEY IS URGENTLY NEEDED TO CARRY ON RELIEF WORK

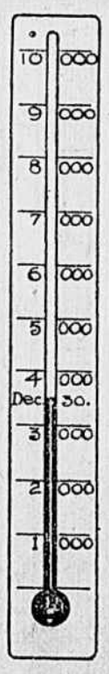
Dr. Buchanan has made arrangements to give the negroes enough to keep the wolf from their doors. All applicants are given bread and buttermilk, or in some cases soup. No groceries are given them, as the Associated Charities has not an organized inspection system, nor money enough to care for the colored applicants. Imposters could not be detected from those in actual need, consequently the bare necessities are doled out to them.

Money is urgently needed to carry on the work in both departments. The worst of the winter is just here, and the next cold spell will cause intense suffering among the poor. The wood supply must be replenished, and groceries and food must be prepared for the needy ones. Dr. Buchanan is pleased with the response given so far, which is equal to previous years, but the demand is so much greater, and the conditions so bad, that considerable more help is needed to carry on the work.

Applicants for help yesterday were given emergency meals, and will report back this morning to work for small wages. These hold-overs are always given preference over the new comers for work.

Grand Jury Meets Monday.

The grand jury for the January term of the Circuit Court of Henrico County will meet at the court house on Monday morning. The following have been selected to serve on the grand jury: S. T. Freeman, R. T. Moncure, J. H. Scott, W. M. Milam, A. J. Muller, Ellis Brown, W. T. Hood, J. T. McDonald, Herman Taliaferro, St George M. Anderson, J. D. Badenock and H. C. Beattie.



Pay City Taxes

To-day is the last day you can pay the last half of your city taxes without 5% penalty.

BUT IT IS NOT the last day you can join our

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A weekly deposit in one of our classes—25c, 50c, $1.00 or $2.00 will make the payment of taxes next December an easy matter.

You cannot afford not to join our Thrift Club.

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Full Dress and Tuxedo Suits, Evenin
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Hats are ready for immediate delivery.

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FAVOR CENTRAL BOARD ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE

Federation of Labor Executive Committee Rejects Tax Segregation Plan.

OPPOSE BELGIAN IMMIGRATION

Would Not Favor Importation of Foreign Labor While There Are Men and Women in Virginia Who Want Work and Can't Get It.

By a vote of 13 to 1 the Executive Committees of the State Federation of Labor and the Farmers' Co-operative Educational Union, in joint session, went on record yesterday in favor of the commission plan of taxation and against the segregation plan.

This action was taken at the conclusion of a conference which extended through the greater part of two days, the meeting being held at Murphy's Hotel. Following is the text of the report and resolution adopted:

"After a careful consideration and discussion of the two plans of taxation proposed by the State Tax Commission in its report, in which discussion we listened to explanation from advocates of each plan, we are of the opinion that the proposed system of segregation is fraught with grave dangers to the agricultural and laboring interests of the State and is open to very serious objections.

"We are not prepared, however, to accept the majority report in its entirety; while we are of the opinion that the principles of said report more nearly embody our views on this subject.

"We, therefore, respectfully urge all members of the General Assembly not to commit themselves to either plan, but hold themselves in an open state of mind and be in a position when the Legislature meets to discuss the question from an impartial standpoint, and thereby arrive at the most equitable and just system of taxation possible under present conditions.

"We are opposed to any ex-officio board—or any appointive board—and are unqualifiedly in favor of electing these boards by the vote of the people regardless of which plan is adopted."

That vote was as follows:

Ayes—C. E. Davison, J. B. Clinedinst, J. E. Reynolds, C. H. Perry, W. D. Morgan, R. E. L. Heckman, William E. Doherty, J. W. Cawthorn, P. R. Wray, C. E. Jones, George H. Bowles, D. W. Gannaway and D. M. Blankenship.

No—Howard T. Colvin.

OPPOSE IMPORTATION OF BELGIAN LABOR

The joint committees also adopted a resolution opposing the importation of Belgian labor into Virginia. The resolution was offered by Howard T. Colvin, editor of the official newspaper of local organized labor and clerk to Lewis H. Machen, of the Bureau of Legislative Reference. It reads as follows:

"Whereas, a movement has been on foot for some months in Virginia, as well as throughout the nation, to provide funds, provisions, etc., for the relief of the suffering Belgians; and,

"Whereas, this movement is now beginning to take the form of an immigration movement with the object of inducing the Belgian refugees to emmigrate to and settle in Virginia; and,

"Where as, there are at the present time many thousands of Virginians, men and women, unemployed and suffering for the actual necessaries of life; therefore,

"Resolved, That, while we deeply sympathize with our fellow-workers in Belgium, as well as those throughout the war-stricken zone of Europe, yet we feel that our first duty is to Virginia, and we, therefore, earnestly protest against any movement having for its object the bringing of foreign emmigrants to our State as long as there are within our borders men and women who want to work, but are unable to obtain it, and that we use all the influence at our command in opposition to any such movement."

The joint conference adjourned sine die at the conclusion of the session yesterday.

MORE EXTRA MEN

City Engineer Authorized to Hire 25 Laborers for Lester Street Work.

The Administrative Board yesterday authorized City Engineer Bolling to employ temporarily twenty-five extra men at $2 a day for the work of raising the dikes and preparing the dumping basin near Lester Street. The resolution authorizes him to hire the necessary teams.

This and other recent authorizations bring the total of the emergency force employed under the recent $125,000 special appropriation to epproximately 500 men. The money available for pay roll purposes, it is stated, is sufficient to keep the extra force at work for between two and three months.

Shooting Case Continued.

The case against William Muse, colored, charged with shooting a pistol at Policeman J. S. Cary, was yesterday continued until January 7 in the Police Court. Muse was also charged with shooting at Russell Allen and W. P. Loving a short time before he is alleged to have fired at the policeman, but these cases were yesterday dismissed.

Proclamation by Mayor

**Office of the Mayor.
Richmond, Va.,
Dec. 30, 1914.**

Friday, January 1, 1915, being declared by the laws of this Commonwealth to be a public holiday, notice is hereby given that the municipal offices will be closed and that work in all the city departments, except such work as may be necessary, which will be determined by the heads of the respective departments, will be suspended during the whole of that day.

**GEORGE AINSLIE,
Mayor.**

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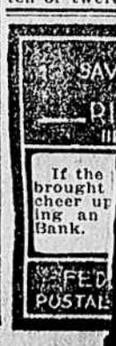
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