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PARIS ADVICES STATE THE ITALIAN SITUATION IS CLEARING; DEVELOPMENTS IN ROME ANXIOUSLY AWAITED

with elation, people generally being glad to see the allies in conflict with each other.

Italian Delegation Left Today
Paris, April 26.—Foreign Minister Connino and Former Premier Salandra of the Italian delegation left at 2 p. m. for Rome. A large crowd of sympathizers gave them an ovation at the station.

Swiss Recognize Czecho-Slovaks
(By Associated Press.)
Bern, April 26.—The Swiss Federal Council has officially recognized the Czecho-Slovak republic.

QUESTIONS TO BE DECIDED MAY 8
(By Associated Press.)
New York, April 26.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, referring to the acceptance of former Confederate as members of the American Legion, said all questions of eligibility will be decided at St. Louis May 8.

GREENVILLE, S. C. HAD \$200,000 FIRE TODAY

(By Associated Press.)
Greenville, S. C., April 26.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Colonial apartments with a damage of \$200,000. There were no casualties.

FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LYNCHING

(By Associated Press.)
New York, April 26.—The South will be represented at the first national conference on lynching here May 5 and 6. It was announced today that Governor O'Neill, of Alabama, has accepted the invitation to speak, and a number of other southerners will be present.

Coblentz, April 25.—Maurice Bailly, 16 years old, of Quebec, arrived in Coblentz recently from France to "join" the U. S. Marine Rhine river police patrol. Until recently Maurice had been with the 26th division as a mascot. Young Bailly wears two service stripes and one wound stripe and says he was gassed three times in the engagements of the 26th.

In 1917 Maurice left home with his father, Victor Bailly, the two going to New York where the elder Bailly was born in Keene, N. H., became a member of the 42nd division. Soon afterward the father and son were separated and never saw each other again. Recently the boy received news that his father had been killed last summer while fighting on the Marne.

GERMANY MAMPERS PRESS

Zurich, April 26.—According to reports reaching here from Berlin, the rulers of new Germany have resolved to surpass all the efforts of their predecessors in the exercise of official influence over the press.

Immediately opposite the German Foreign Office stands one of the palaces of the Royal House of Prussia, which of late years has been occupied by Prince Frederick Leopold, a cousin of the former Emperor. This palace is to become the headquarters of the new press bureau which the government will create soon. It will be more than a mere government department, for it also will contain a club for journalists.

One part of the palatial building, a Berlin dispatch says, will be devoted to the offices of officials whose work will be that of inspiring the

MEMORIAL DAY BEING OBSERVED THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH

(By Associated Press.)
Atlanta, April 26.—Confederate Memorial Day is being generally observed today throughout the South, with patriotic exercises, parades and decoration of graves of soldiers. Many communities held Liberty Loan drives.

GREAT SOCIAL EVENT TO TAKE PLACE

Washington, April 26.—The most interesting social event the capital has known for several moons is to take place outside the capital!

The double wedding of the "Overman girls," daughters of Senator and Mrs. Lee Overman of North Carolina, which is to be celebrated April 30th—will be at the Overman home—stead in Salisbury, North Carolina.

The two youngest daughters of the distinguished senator from North Carolina have been leaders in the younger set of official Washington society for several seasons. Then both

LEDGER DISPATCH BUILDING AT NORFOLK, VA. DESTROYED

(By Associated Press.)
Norfolk, April 26.—Fire completely wrecked the Ledger-Dispatch building, causing \$200,000 damage.

became engaged about the same time and decided on a double wedding—and in their old home town.

The eldest sister, Miss Kathryn Overman, will marry Mr. Gilbert Foot Hambley of Salisbury, North Carolina, and her young sister, Grace Overman, is to marry Mr. Edgar Norrie Snow of Greensboro, North Carolina.

Their large circle of friends in Washington are disappointed by the bride's decision to be married back home, but as one groom is a Salisbury man, and the other also a southerner from a neighboring city the choice of the North Carolina home wedding is both sensible and sentimentally satisfying.

Southern hospitality will be in its glory when Washington's smart set journeys south for the wedding.

Polk County Phosphate Mines Closed Today When General Strike Called

1,000 Men Strike For Better Wages And Shorter Hours

TROUBLE BREWING FOR SEVERAL MONTHS COMES TO HEAD WHEN MEN WALK OUT; EVERYTHING QUIET AND ORDERLY

About 1,000 phosphate mining operatives in Polk county are idle today and three large plants are shut down as the result of failure on the part of the men and the management of the mines to arrive at an agreement as to wages, hours, and other matters under dispute.

For some time there has been dissatisfaction among the men and the War Labor Board has been working to reconcile the existing differences. When the management of the Tiger Bay Phosphate Co. declined last Tuesday to accept the offices of the War Labor Board, the dissatisfaction culminated in a strike of about 100 operatives employed by that plant. Today the employees of the Prairie Pebble Co., at Mulberry and the Phosphate Mining Co., at Nichols joined in the strike. The number of striking employees at each of these plants is about 400, there being at this time a much smaller number of men employed at all the mines than under normal conditions.

The operatives are demanding better pay, shorter hours and improved working conditions. It is understood that the War Board upheld them in substantially all their claims, recommending that they be granted the concessions asked for. At present our information is that the rate of pay averages about \$2.65 a day of from eleven to twelve hours.

It is very much to be hoped that an amicable adjustment of the differences may be reached in a short time, as the unemployment of so many men is very much to be deplored and the effect will also be felt by railroad employees, a number of whom are engaged in operating the phosphate trains.

There will be a library, writing-rooms, reading-rooms, smoking-rooms, billiard-rooms, a restaurant, an American bar, lounge rooms and a gymnasium, with a telegraph office conveniently attached.

Every conceivable device, it is stated, will be employed to capture and retain the sympathies of newspaper men.

WOMAN AND THREE CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH IN REIDSVILLE, N. C.

(By Associated Press.)
Reidsville, N. C., April 26.—Mrs. Alfred Galloway and three children were burned to death this morning in their home here.

\$650,000,000 Is Subscription To Victory Loan Up To Today

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, April 26.—A little more than \$650,000,000 has been subscribed to the Liberty loan and officially tabulated at the Treasury today.

Long Delay Now Expected By Airmen

(By Associated Press.)
St. Johns, N. F., April 26.—The British airmen, who have been waiting favorable weather for two weeks to attempt a flight across the Atlantic apparently have resigned themselves to long delay.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following real estate transfers have been made during the past week:

M E Stephens Jr et als to F C Thompson; G V Tillman and wife to J W Warren; C M H Eycheshimer and wife to Mrs. A T Eycheshimer; W B Coarsey and wife to C B Anderson; J C Decker to J L Moore; John Logan, sheriff, to Hugh W Wear; Edna L Cox and husband to James Shaw and wife; E E Webster and wife to Hugh W Wear; Joel Silkett and wife to Mrs. Peter Peterson; Liz H Dunn to W D Nydegger; Henry Hanson and wife to John F Wasmund; Rev P Tecklenberg and wife to W B Dunkman; H C Keith and wife to Chas A and Lula A Lucas; Eliza and James Tillman to M L Morrison; Malloy & Miller to Nelle Sloan Ramsey; Ida and W J Smith to R J O'Berry et als; D H Sloan and wife to Mary R Culpepper; J R Kirby and wife to J R Snyder; Walter Graham to J C Holbrook; H M Wear and wife to W J Smith; N D Robnett and wife to Marie Arenson et als; John Logan, sheriff, to Weeks Fielding Co; Lycurgus and Isabelle Burns to Myrtle Farms Co; W D McRae et al to W J Whilden; Ella F Bruce to J A Sult and wife; F S Perrin et als to Minnie C Gatrell et al; Carolyn T Hopkins and husband to Emelle Bartlett; N B Yarwood and wife to Mrs Lou Ayres; A F Austin and wife to Bertha Austin; Roger B Lyle and wife to Bertha Austin; J D Clark and wife to Bertha E Austin; Stephen Skipper to Frank L Cody; Samuel T Fletcher and wife to R H Fletcher; E J Klemm and wife to S J Dohman; Guy Nicholson to W O Boland; C M Wiggins, master, to August Johnson; Norton A Simmons and wife to J T Miller; I D Dixon and wife to W M Hampton; J H Strode and wife to Marie Arenson; John and Florence Shields to J H Strode; C B Mitchell and wife to S L Mitchell; Anna G Kenney and wife to Harriet W Yonally; J Z Zebendon to C M Clayton; Mary L Wade and husband to Robt H Lloyd; Mrs Frank Sanford to Lucille Porter; W C Lipscomb and wife to J C and T J Knight; Robt Henderson and wife to M G Waring; Florida Highlands Co to M B Mitchell; H G Stone and wife to Rachel M Erwin; Nancy C Keen to Gussie R Stephens; W R Hill and wife to Eleanor Scott; L F Gaskins to J D Clark; J R Best and wife to W H Anderson et al; W F Hallam and Co to Chas W Newland; Sessions Investment Co to G V Tillman; L B Burns and wife to Fred J Nelson; Paul E Flick and wife to Elsie M Emanuel; Ellsworth Trust Co to R R Gresham; W A Hatchell and wife to R R Gresham; Valentine T Brantley and wife to C H Walker; E F Boewe and wife to C H Redfield.

\$2,000,000 DAMAGE TO OHIO FRUIT CROP PAST TWO DAYS

UNUSUAL COLD WEATHER CAUSE OF THE DAMAGE

(By Associated Press.)
Columbus, April 26.—Damage to Ohio fruit by cold weather during the last two days is estimated at from a million and a half to two million dollars.

MONTENEGRO VICTIMS OF INTRIGUE

(By Associated Press.)
London, April 26.—Charges that Montenegro, the smallest of the Allies, has been a victim of intrigue during the war, are made by Alexander Devine of Winchester, a friend of the little Balkan country. In a letter of complaint to Premier Lloyd George, Mr. Devine writes:

"The great feature of intrigue has been to ignore her existence as a separate country; then to protest that fraternal confederation with her was most desirable; and finally to deliberately attempt to absorb her existence and nationality."

Mr. Lloyd George replied that he hoped and believed that the interests of Montenegro would be amply protected at the Peace Conference.

WOMEN WANT WORK LIGHTENED

(By Associated Press.)

Wakefield, England, April 26.—The women's section of the labor party in Wakefield, Normanton and Rothwell, have adopted a resolution declaring that no government scheme of reconstruction would be acceptable to the women unless it recognized the need of lightening the hours of work for women in their homes.

Dr. Marion Phillips declared that the government should insist that the hours of wage-earners should be re-arranged to conform to normal family life. She demanded the abolition of night work except for the maintenance of the public services.

Chas H Walker and wife to Henry B Cody; C L Morrison and wife to W G Smith; L J Clyatt and wife to M E Lyle; J E Melton and wife to M A Patten; Almida Friberg to Selma Peterson; R J Allen and wife to W F Hallam and Co G E Walker, master, to H C Humphrey; J D Clark et als to Peace Valley Farms Co, Mary E Jewett et al to Anna Howard Shaw et al; W H Swan and wife to J A Griffin and wife; Barlow Land and Cattle Co to J P Moser; John R Pilling and wife to R M Skinner; L M Uber and wife to E C Stuckless; D P Nunn and wife to L E Lillie and wife; P E Braddock and wife to L E Lillie and wife; H W Reid and wife to Annie Isaac; P W Ensinger to J B Briggs; J B Briggs and wife to P W Ensinger; E J Hooper to A C Nydegger; J R Hooper and wife to J J Hooper; L R Cleaves to Emily McCarthy; Lanie and Isaac Cowles to David and Emma Jackson; Mariah E and M B Coe to W F Hallam and Co; J W Keen and wife to I A Yarnell; H D Nelson to Ida S Thompson; T A Goode and wife to W A Varn; Wm Verne Lyle and wife to Annie L Lyle et als; J T Rhodes and wife to J E Mearns (2); Harry M Wear and wife to Albert E Brigham; tax deeds to E V Haynes; W C Foster (4); O Vanier and wife to J A Anthony; V S Collins and wife to Mary R Caldwell; Mountain Lake Corp to Eugene A Yates; J E Mearns and wife to J T Rhodes; Lucius Mitchell to Fronie Mitchell; Lake Alfred Fruitlands Co. to R D Smith and wife; Lake Alfred Fruitlands Co to W S Preston; W S Preston and wife to Irving C Page; K C Milton to State Bank of Lakeland; Almida Friberg to Peter M Carlson; Wm Boerboom and wife to Alexander Blanchard; Wm Boerboom and wife to Harwood Frost; Lena G Boerboom and wife to Chas O Bradbury; W H Keefe and wife to W M Hampton; I B Hawk and wife to E E Durrance.

Lloyd George And Clemenceau Don't Approve Wilson's Plan

HOWEVER THEY ARE HOPEFUL THAT AN AMICABLE ADJUSTMENT CAN SOON BE MADE

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, April 26.—The Italian situation in the peace negotiations is clearing rapidly, according to Paris advices received at the White House. They stated the action of the President was endorsed everywhere.

First Test Case League of Nations
(By Associated Press.)
London, April 26.—A majority of yesterday afternoon's newspapers continued to devote their leading articles to a discussion of Wilson's statement on the Italian situation. The West Minister Gazette thinks it is the first test case of the League of Nations.

Orlando Given Big Ovation
(By Associated Press.)

Turin, April 26.—When Premier Orlando reached here yesterday enroute from Paris to Rome, he was greeted by an immense throng. Addressing the crowd, Orlando said he had been defending Italy's rights but his responsibility had come to an end with a "no." Asking how he should have answered, a great united "no" arose and the demonstration lasted for ten minutes.

Watching Developments in Rome
(By Associated Press.)

Paris, April 26.—The peace conference is watching with intense interest the result of today's developments in Rome, where Premier Orlando will arrive this morning and where events of the day are expected to disclose whether the hopes of reconciliation can be realized. Reports from the American embassy at Rome are somewhat ominous.

Confer at 2 P. M.
(By Associated Press.)

Paris, April 26.—All members of the American peace delegation will meet Wilson for a conference at 2 p. m.

Not Accurate

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, April 26.—The report that Premiers Clemenceau and Lloyd George approved President Wilson's statement on the Adriatic problem was declared an inaccurate statement today. The statement was read to them and they were anxious that publication be postponed in the hope that an arrangement might be reached.

Wilson Street No Longer in Rome

(By Associated Press.)
Rome, April 26.—A demonstration in protest against Wilson's attitude culminated in changing the street named for him to Fiume street.

Italy Calls on Clemenceau

(By Associated Press.)
Rome, April 26.—Minister of the Interior Luzzatti has telegraphed Premier Clemenceau asking him to exert his best efforts to obtain the satisfaction of Italy's demands, and, concluding, "All Italy in this hour of passion trusts in you."

Paris, April 26.—Orders have been sent Rear Admiral Andrews, commanding the American naval forces in the Adriatic to take exceptional precautions and avoid possible disorders.

Austrians Pleased at Break

(By Associated Press.)
Vienna, April 26.—The withdrawal of the Italian delegation from the peace conference was received here