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WEATHER Cloudy in north. Probably snow in south portion late tonight and Tuesday.

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WILSON'S MEMORANDUM MAY END COAL STRIKE

HOW DO YOU STAND ON THE LEAGUE SITUATION

League to Enforce Peace Asks Caledonian-Record to Ballot This Section

The League of Enforce Peace of which former President William Howard Taft is the head wishes to reach the people of the country as to how they stand upon the Peace Treaty situation.

A letter from the league to this paper says:

"The deadlock in Washington promises to continue indefinitely unless the people declare overwhelmingly and unmistakably in favor of a compromise. They must go further than this, and indicate the kind of compromise they desire.

"The daily press furnishes the only machinery that can get such an expression from the people. A vote of newspaper readers will accomplish this purpose if it is undertaken on a national scale and the issue is presented clearly and fairly.

"Several newspapers already have begun such a ballot. We urge you to join them and to forward the final result of your vote to this office.

"We enclose a suggestion for a ballot to be printed in your paper every day for one week.

"The Caledonian-Record is glad to aid so great an organization as the League to try and get the country out of the disagreeable and unsatisfactory position it now finds itself.

"We print the enclosed ballot which we wish our readers would sign and return so that we can forward the balloting of Northeastern Vermont to the League to Enforce Peace.

Sign today.

"THE PEACE TREATY Following the armistice, the representatives of 28 nations, including our own, drew up and signed at Paris a Peace Treaty with Germany, Part I being the League of Nations Covenant.

This was also signed under compulsion by Germany.

During the special session of

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LATE NEWS BULLETIN

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—No decision on the constitutionality of wartime prohibition and the Volstead enforcement act was rendered today by the Supreme Court.

Mourn Death of Mrs. Joseph Gendron

The funeral services for Mrs. Joseph Gendron will be held Tuesday morning at 8.30 at St. Mary's Catholic church, Rev. J. H. Bastien officiating, assisted by Rev. R. Blais, and Rev. O. Lanonette of Roke Island.

The bearers will be Alphonse Lippens, Miles Corbett, Albert Johnson, Eugene Before, Hiram Labounty and Louis Gilbert, all cousins of the deceased. The interment will be in St. Mary's Catholic cemetery.

Mrs. Alice Gendron, wife of Joseph A. Gendron, was born at Escoumains, P. Q., Canada, and was 24 years of age. She was educated at Newport Parochial school and Jan. 4, 1915 married J. A. Gendron, prosperous merchant of this city.

Mrs. Gendron died on Friday, Dec. 5 of heart failure, following an operation about two weeks ago at Hotel Drew hospital, Quebec.

She was a member of the Franco-American Benevolent society and the ladies of St. Anne.

Mrs. Gendron was an ardent church woman and had a wide circle of friends who mourn her untimely death.

ORLEANS DEER HUNTER FOUND DEAD IN WOODS

Walter Lawrence's Body In Woods Near Wenlock—He Had Lost Trail

After a four-day search through the woods near Norton, John Lawrence, a farmer, of Orleans, aged 35 years, was found Sunday by a party of searchers frozen to death. Mr. Lawrence, who was a member of a hunting party consisting of D. W. Hildreth, C. H. Mossman, E. C. Skinner, Ed. Grow, Walter Lawrence and others, became lost Wednesday night and no trace of him had been found until Sunday when he was discovered dead from exhaustion and the bitter cold.

It is a strange thing that in former years Mr. Lawrence has become strayed from his companions and lost his way on hunting trips always in the past had managed to find his way out of the woods.

On Monday of last week a large number of hunters left Orleans for the Wenlock woods in the town of Norton for the deer hunting season. It seems that Lawrence started out from camp Wednesday a. m. by himself and did not return at night and when he did not show up on Thursday they began to fear for his safety, when a search began which was kept up until Sunday a. m. when they found his gun and evidence that he had been traveling in a circle in that vicinity.

Following the trail they soon came upon his body lying face downward as though having fallen in his tracks. No further particulars are obtainable until the hunters return with the body. Much sympathy is expressed for his wife and two children and it has cast a gloom over the whole community.

LATE BULLETINS

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The allies have consented to modify some of the terms of the Protocol putting the Peace Treaty into effect to which Germany made objection. The cause providing for indemnity for the destruction of the German fleet at Scapa Flow was modified so as to refer the question to the Hague Tribunal, it is understood. Also it is understood another feature of the Protocol most objectionable to the Germans has been eliminated.

The railroad detectives worked a year on the case. The Wood agency operative who went from the Broadwell murder investigation in Washington county to Essex county secured a confession which brought about a conviction and sentence of the guilty parties.

Another interesting case in Essex county over which State's Attorney Powell is receiving congratulations is that James Mullins a Pullman car conductor who was convicted and fined \$500 and sentenced to one year in state's prison for perjury in connection with a smuggling case which came up before Judge Howe in Montpelier some months ago.

The Ladies' Mission Circle will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. Welland Shepard. A program has been prepared for the afternoon, and the reading of a crusade of compassion will be continued. Refreshments served.

DETECTIVE WORK IN ORLEANS AND ESSEX COUNTIES

Bedell of Greensboro to Go Back to Prison—Laroche Confesses to Arson

Secretary W. H. Jeffrey of the state board of probation has asked back to state's prison Bill Bedell of Greensboro for breach of his parole. E. C. Brown, an operator of the J. R. Wood Detective Agency called on Mr. Jeffrey Saturday. Bedell is charged with several breaks in stores in Greensboro, having as his companion, one Dennis Aldrich. A quantity of loot was recovered at the house where Bedell boarded, he having supplied members of that family with rubbers, shoes, leggings and other wearing apparel in such quantities as to attract attention. Bedell is described as a past master in argument. At first he denied any knowledge of the thefts and later when confronted with the evidence he argued in justification. He is said to have admitted the various breaks. He was paroled on January 29 last and will be sent back to serve a year and a half with this other matter hanging over him when he gets out unless it is disposed of beforehand so as to send him back with "good measure." He has a wife in Quincy, Mass.

At Island Pond recently an arson case was disposed of. One Laroche and a weak-minded individual have made a confession to Detective Brown to setting fire to a Grand Trunk station in the fall of 1919. The story is that Laroche, who is 22 years of age was anxious to get married and one of the promises he made to his wife was that he would move into a new home. He was employed as station agent by the company. The agent's house is in the railroad station. The apartments did not come up to expectations. Laroche's companion in the case confessed that Laroche gave him \$5 and a promise to supply him with kerosene for the winter to set fire to the station. If the station was burned it was expected the company would build a new one and thus provide a new home. The fire was a success. However, there were complications. When the station burned it became necessary to find temporary quarters for Laroche. The section foreman was required to move from the company's house to make room for Laroche. The man who set the fire worked for the section foreman who did not like to move. He dropped a word now and then that led to an investigation.

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NEWPORT LOCALS

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(By Associated Press) MEXICO CITY, Dec. 8.—J. Salter Hansen, who furnished bail for U. S. Consul Jenkins declared on Sunday night that he had acted on his own initiative as he suddenly realized that war between the United States and Mexico was inevitable unless one of the two governments was ready to sacrifice honor, prestige and dignity by receding from a dangerous position into which it was forced. He said he was willing to take full responsibility or credit according to the point of view.

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A sentence of dismissal by a naval court martial on Captain Chamberlain, the Marine Corps aviator, on charges growing out of his sensational claim of having defeated a vastly superior force of German air-ships, was approved today by Secretary Daniels.

(By Associated Press) Fiume, Sunday, Dec. 7.—Gabriele D'Annunzio has assured the Associated Press Correspondent that he was not preparing an expedition against Spalato or Laibach. The soldier poet gave his word of honor that this statement was true.

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson would be "gravely concerned to see any resolution pass congress" he wrote Senator Fall referring to the Fall Revolution requesting the president to sever diplomatic relations with Mexico.

"It would constitute a reversal of our constitutional practice which might lead to very grave confusion in regard to the guidance of our foreign affairs." The president expressed confidence that he had the support of every competent constitutional authority in his statement that the direction of the government's foreign affairs was assigned by the constitution to the Chief Executive and to him alone. When the President's letter was received Senators Lodge, Fall and Brandegee conferred and announced that no further action on the Mexican situation would be taken by the committee.

Grand Jury Action Against Operators And Miners Growing Out of Strike Is Postponed

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Hope for a settlement of coal controversy tomorrow was expressed in the following statement issued at the White House this afternoon: "It is hoped that there will be a settlement Tuesday afternoon of the controversy between the miners, operators and Government through the acceptance by the miners of a plan for a definite settlement proposed by the President which proposal was submitted to acting President Lewis of miners by Attorney General Palmer Saturday night."

The utmost secrecy still surrounded the president's proposal and Secretary Tumulty and other officials refused to supplement the White House statement. It was learned however that the proposal was from the president himself and in the form of a memorandum written by him.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 8.—The Federal Grand Jury summoned by United States District Judge Anderson to investigate alleged violations of the Lever Act and Anti-Trust laws by operators, miners and coal dealers in connection with the strike, will not be empaneled today, United States District Attorney Slack announced. He said the step had been postponed until ten o'clock tomorrow. Slack would not say if the jury would be empaneled at that time. It was indicated that the calling together of the investigators would depend upon conferences today with the attorney-general and others who were to arrive from Washington about noon.

The Red Cross is planning to sew for these children and Miss Varney, Mrs. Heywood and Mrs. Marshall will tell on Tuesday afternoon just what ought to be done. Are not the women of St. Johnsbury as much interested in these needy little ones at our own doors as in those suffering across the seas? Come and help!

It is requested that all cotton garments now out, be returned Tuesday and all completed knitted ones. These must be forwarded at once.

200 Women Wanted For Red Cross Work

Wanted two hundred women to attend the Red Cross meeting at the Pythian Building, Tuesday afternoon to hear about work which needs to be done right here in our own town. Seventy-five children are in need of warm clothing for the cold winter days.

Armory, Tuesday Night At 8.00 o'clock

Address By Charles "Sandy" Chapman A. K. of C. Overseas Secretary

Mr. Chapman has a gripping story on his experiences with the boys in Khaki and all are invited to hear him.

Music by HENAULT'S ORCHESTRA Academy Glee Club Academy Mandolin Club No admission will be charged. Come and hear him.

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