

## EARLY SHOPPING IMPERATIVE NEED

### Public Is Urged to Co-operate With Merchants By Shopping Early.

"Do your Christmas Shopping Early" is a more imperative command than ever, now that shorter hours for shopping have become effective.

Only fourteen days remain in which to attend to the thousand and one preparations that must be made for Christmas. Into these days must be packed not only the selection and purchase of gifts but all the many other things that thoughtful Christmas shopping entails—ribbons, tissue paper, seals and cards of greeting and the doing up of parcels.

Self interest as well as every other reason for early shopping suggests that it is well to be up bright and early these crisp December mornings and early in the shops so that all the buying may be done before many more days pass.

Christmas will soon be here, and if it is to be truly a "Merry Christmas", in the good old-fashioned phrase, there must be no laggards in the holiday march to the shops, to overtax the workers and to spoil the Christmas spirit of loving kindness to everyone. Those who have already finished their Christmas shopping, if there be any such folks, may enjoy the consciousness of helping to spread the Christmas gospel. Those who have not begun must hurry to retrieve their failure if they wish to share fully in the joy of Christmastide.

"What to give and where to shop"—let today's Chronicle solve the problem. In the advertising columns you will have no trouble finding the proper gifts for father, mother, brother, sister, or friend, as well as for the little tots who are expecting a big Christmas with lots of Santa Claus and they must not be disappointed.

We bespeak your careful consideration of the many attractive Christmas advertisements in today's paper.

### ARCH ANARCHISTS AWAIT DEPARTURE

#### Alexander Berkman and Emma Goldman Held for Deportation at Ellis Island.

New York, Dec. 5.—Alexander Berkman and Emma Goldman, America's two most notorious anarchists, spent tonight at Ellis Island. They were surrendered to the immigration authorities at noon upon demand of the department of labor to await deportation to Russia after preaching their doctrines in the United States for thirty years.

While they were on the way to the island, accompanied on the government ferry boat by a few of their most devoted followers, their counsel, Harry Weinberger, was appearing before Federal Judge Meyer with a petition for writs of habeas corpus in a last effort to nullify the deportation decree. The writs were granted and are returnable Monday. Weinberger said he would insist that his clients be produced in court before Judge Mayer, who sentenced them to two-year terms for obstructing the draft law.

There was no way of determining tonight whether the legal proceedings would delay the departure of Berkman and Miss Goldman for Russia. The government has not announced when it expected to have a ship available to carry them away and Weinberger declined to state whether he would take their cases to the United States supreme court if the lower courts decided against them. It was pointed out, however, that the \$30,000 in liberty bonds used as bail for them would be available to carry on a legal battle if it is considered worth while.

The habeas corpus petition was based upon the contention that Miss Goldman is an American citizen by marriage; that the constitutional right of free speech has brought within the pale of the law any radical utterances they may have made and that deportation to Soviet Russia would be illegal, because the United States has not recognized the Bolsheviks.

Meanwhile Berkman and Miss Goldman will be held at Ellis Island with 82 other radicals awaiting deportation. After they were surrendered today, searched and inspected by doc-

### FORTY-CENT LEVEL REACHED IN WEEK

#### Highest Price on Record Paid for Future Contract in Cotton Exchange.

New York, Dec. 5.—The only predicted forty cent level was realized by the advance in December contracts in the market for cotton futures here during the earlier part of the past week. This established the highest price ever paid for a future contract in the history of the New York Cotton Exchange and an advance of approximately five cents per pound from the low level of November 19th. It was due to urgent covering by trade and speculative shorts who evidently saw little prospect for sufficient deliveries of spot cotton to materially weaken the situation but a few December notices appeared later in the week, and it looked as though the demand from shorts had been pretty well supplied on the advance. At any rate, the appearance of the 40 cents level proved a signal for more or less general realising and the market since then has been nervous and unsettled owing to the uncertainty of the Mexican situation fears of a coal shortage, a tendency to increase estimates of the crop, and the weakness of foreign exchange rates. Trading in December has been comparatively quiet since the big advance but there has been quite an active business in later deliveries with today's prices showing reactions of over a cent a pound from the best on March and later deliveries. Private crop reports issued this week have suggested that the yield was turning out better than expected in some sections of the south. A prominent southern authority estimates a crop prior to December 1 at 8,957,992 bales and the lint yield at 11,120,000. This was the highest estimate published up to the close of business tonight but one or two other authorities have revised their crop figures upward and a canvass of New York cotton exchange members today showed an average expectation of 10,700,000 bales, excluding linters. Reports from the goods trade have indicated continued firmness with demand stimulated by apprehension that the coal shortage may restrict mill production while manufacturers have been slow to accept fresh orders and offerings from second hands have been little in evidence.

### CHAOS REIGNS IN TURKISH CAPITAL

#### Constantinople Is Credited with Being Worst Governed City in the World. Lawbreakers Run Wild and Living Cost High.

Constantinople, Dec. 2.—Constantinople is credited here with being the worst governed city in the world, as well as that in which the cost of living is the highest. It presents a spectacle of chaos. Everybody is robbing everybody else. Black handers among the shipping agents and the longshoremen are responsible for the fact that it costs more to get freight from a ship to shore than to transport it from New York to Constantinople. All available dock space has been taken up by the entente powers and Americans and citizens of other countries, who are shut out, are paying \$35 a ton to get goods from a ship through the customs. Every species of Levantine thievery has been turned loose. A modest hotel room costs from \$5 to \$8 a day, with food in proportion, although the markets are full of produce.

Food prices have increased 1,200 per cent over those prevailing before the war, while house rent has increased fifteen fold. The city nightly is full of fighting soldiers and sailors of all nationalities, shooting off firearms. The gambling houses are in full swing for all classes, with the merchants, when losers, making up their losses by raising prices, although the warehouses are overstocked.

The streets swarm with pickpockets, with the Turkish police claiming to be helpless because of the inter-allied control. The Turkish government claims it is helpless to conduct the affairs for the same reason—that it has too many bosses.

The Turkish officials say that they are afraid of the ultimate attitude of Great Britain although recent speeches in the British House of Commons have reawakened their hopes that Turkey will not be partitioned. Meanwhile, capitalists of all nations are going ahead buying up private concessions for exploitation when peace is signed. However, the Turkish government has forbidden the sale of new concessions since July.

Berkman was put in a room with seven ring-leaders of the recent hunger and silence strike against deportation hearings, while Miss Goldman was sent to the quarters of two girl anarchists who had participated in the hunger strike.

Fearing immediate deportation of the two anarchists, half a dozen women radicals accompanied them on the ferry trip to Ellis Island and kissed them both farewell as the boat was passing the Statue of Liberty and again when they reached the island. Berkman was fully equipped with new clothing for Russia. He carried three grips.

"Love and comradeship to all liberal and revolutionary people. We expect to be called back to Soviet Russia."

Both she and Berkman predicted a revolution in this country within five years.

## CITIZENS MASS MEETING TO BE HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

At a meeting of the Commercial Club held Tuesday night, a resolution was unanimously adopted endorsing the proposed Million Dollar Educational campaign for the Presbyterian schools of the synod, and calling upon the citizens of Clinton to liberally support the campaign. The resolution as offered by the directors and adopted by the club follows:

"Realizing the great and lasting benefits that would be derived by the Town of Clinton in the success of the campaign in South Carolina, be it resolved by the directors of the Commercial club that we most heartily recommend that the town of Clinton take as its share of this campaign a sum not less than \$75,000.00, and that such action on the part of your directors be approved, adopted and supported by the Commercial Club as a whole. As the success of this campaign is of vital importance to the town of Clinton, we recommend that the campaign be put on and completed at once and we suggest as the best time for making such campaign in the town of Clinton, will be next week, the week ending Dec. 20th.

We further suggest that a Citizens Mass Meeting be called to meet in the room of the Club on Friday evening December 12th at 7:30 p. m."

Of the proposed million dollars to be raised, the college is to receive \$500,000 and the orphanage \$125,000.

It was decided to hold a Citizens Mass Meeting in the interest of the campaign on Friday night in the club hall, to which the public is cordially invited. At this meeting the purpose of the campaign will be outlined and definite plans mapped out for waging the big drive next week. It is hoped that every man and woman in Clinton will show their interest in the college and orphanage by attending this meeting. Your interest and presence is needed. Please bear in mind the date and hour, Friday night at 7:30 p. m.

### BOTH VESTIBULES ARE DISCONTINUED

Substantial reduction in passenger train service on all the principal roads was announced for Tuesday morning. This action is due to the coal shortage and unless conditions improve immediately, there will be further withdrawals as well as local trains.

By this curtailment announcement, Clinton for the first time in many years is without her North and South bound vestibules. The following communication from Mr. W. H. Shands, local agent, explains itself:

Publisher Chronicle, City.  
Dear Sir:—For information of the public, on account coal shortage, effective Tuesday morning, Dec. 9th, trains Nos. 5 and 6 will be discontinued. No other changes in trains except Nos. 11 and 12 which will arrive in Clinton some later. I will advise time of arrival at Clinton when I receive time table.

Yours truly,  
W. H. SHANDS, Agent.

### CLAUSE URGED TO PREVENT STRIKE

#### Senator Declares Anti-Strike Clause in Railroad Bill Should be Adopted.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Anti-strike provisions of the Cummings railroad bill afford "the time and opportunity" to make the final test of the issue between the government and organized labor," Senator Myers, Democrat, Montana, declared today in the senate. Labor seeks power and advantage, apparently with no thought of the common welfare, he declared, and the coal miners "openly defied an injunction issued from a high federal court."

Affirming his belief that Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was unable to stem the tide of radicalism in the ranks of American labor, the senator charged the labor leaders had joined steel strike.

A national railroad strike that continued two weeks would cause the death of five to ten million persons, Senator Myers said, supporting the anti-strike clause of the Cummings bill. When the roads were losing a million dollars a day, he added, the railroad brotherhoods took advantage of the situation to demand increased pay and support of the Plumb plan of railroad ownership which he denounced as a "form of sovietism." Mr. Gompers, speaking before a senate committee, had asserted that if anti-strike provisions of the railroad bill were enacted, workers would not obey them; the senator said and added:

"I favor taking up that challenge. If the federal government cannot triumph in this battle against the inner government, constitutional rule in this country is dead.

"The United Mine Workers of America are in open rebellion against constituted authority. They have trampled under foot a decree issued by a high court. If the government settles the coal strike by placing any further costs upon the people, it will make a mistake that will return to plague it for many years to come. "I believe that the people of the

### MASONIC OFFICERS.

At the regular monthly meeting of Campbell Lodge No. 444, A. F. M., held last Friday night, officers for the ensuing year were elected. The result of the election follows:

- M. B. Hipp, W. M.
- B. B. Mills, S. W.
- W. P. Jacobs, J. W.
- J. K. Hatton, Treas.
- V. P. Adair, Secy.
- J. M. DeYoung, S. D.
- E. R. Knox, J. D.
- J. A. Coleman, S. S.
- D. H. Hays, J. S.
- R. P. Adair, Tyler.

### NOW AT THE BANK.

Mr. D. C. Heustess, the new cashier of the First National Bank, has taken up his position during the past week and is now handling the cash over at Uncle Sam's bank. The former cashier, Mr. Geo. W. Copeland, is still on the job getting his successor thoroughly accustomed to his new financial atmosphere, and after the first of the year will take up his new position with E. W. Ferguson, who has the reputation of being one of the most successful and wide-awake Ford dealers in the State, as well as a dandy good fellow.

### TO CHANGE POSITION.

Mr. Rutledge Adair, yard clerk at the local C. N. & L. office, has resigned his position and after the first of the year will be with E. W. Ferguson, the Ford man, succeeding his brother, Duckett Adair, who has accepted a position with the Barrow Motor & Truck Company of Columbia.

### CHIEF MASON SICK.

Mr. D. W. Mason, popularly known as "Chief," has been confined to his home for the past week on account of sickness, having suffered a slight attack of paralysis a few days ago. He was able to be down town yesterday and his friends are glad to know that he will be able to take up his duties again in a few days.

### Hurricane School Honor Roll.

- First Grade—Wylene Wiseman, Lewis Horton, William Thomas, Charles Nabors, James Horton, Dorcas Nabors, Mayfield Copeland.
- Fourth Grade—Maggie Horton, Judson Whitmore.
- Fifth Grade—Thelma Nabors, Elizabeth Copeland.
- Eighth Grade—Mamie Sue Simpson.

country have reached a point where their backs are against the wall and no choice remains except to fight the issue to the end."

### KNIGHTS OF DITHIAS YEAR-END BANQUET

One of the most interesting announcements of the year is that of the reinstatement of the K. of P. year-end banquet. This affair in years past has been the social event of the holiday season and an enjoyable occasion to be remembered. For the past three years the lodge has foregone the pleasure on account of war conditions.

This year it will be reinstated in full form. It will be held on the last night of the year as usual.

The occasion will be still further dignified by the presence of the grand officers: Grand Chancellor Col. O. J. Bond of Charleston, Grand Prelate Col. Henry Tillman of Greenwood, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seals, Bro. C. D. Brown of Abbeville. A program of toasts and music is being prepared. The committee in charge of the affair as appointed by the lodge is composed of Dr. S. C. Hays, W. P. Jacobs, W. H. Simpson and John T. Young.

This social event in past years has meant much to the lodge and is always looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure.

### ITALIAN STRIKERS CAUSE WILD RIOTS

#### Eight Killed and 32 Wounded in Serious Disorders in City of Mantua. Troops Finally Establish Order.

Rome, Dec. 6.—Eight persons are dead and forty-two others are known to have been wounded as a result of the wild rioting on Wednesday and Thursday at Mantua, where mobs terrorized the city.

The rioters attacked the small garrison, cut telegraph and telephone communications, stopped railway traffic, raided arms shops, burnt prisons, freed all sorts of criminals, and held the police and soldiers at bay until fresh troops and carabinieri arrived with machine guns and occupied the city militarily. The troops finally established order Thursday night.

The Rome newspapers tonight print full details of the situation at Mantua. The Giornale D'Italia says the Mantua chamber of labor authorized a strike without excesses. The disorders were begun by 500 strikers, who speedily were joined by the lawless element under the direction of extremists.

The crowds stormed the military barracks and fired on the garrison. The soldiers discouraged the attack by firing into the air. At the suggestion of some of the extremist leaders the mob moved on to the railway station, and seized the restaurant, where they feasted and drank wine. Those of the rioters unable to enter the restaurant were incensed when the men inside poured wine upon the floor of the restaurant until it flowed into the street.

The rails were torn up to prevent trains from entering or leaving the station and the building itself was badly wrecked. At the suggestion, "let us burn the jail and free the prisoners," the mob moved to the prison, overcame the guards and ordered the astonished prisoners out, telling them a revolution had come and they were free.

The men released were all being held for common crimes. Those unable to obtain civilian clothes turned their striped uniforms inside out so as to be less conspicuous. They were given arms seized from soldiers or taken from the looted arms shops.

The proprietor of one of the arms shops raided by the mob took refuge in a room behind the shop and was burned to death in the fire the mob set after taking all the revolvers, rifles and ammunition in the store.

### JENKINS EXPLAINS HIS SIDE OF THE CASE

#### American Consul Declares He Refuses to Give Bail to Compromise His Case.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 3.—"I am now in prison, because I will not even compromise with them under any circumstances," W. O. Jenkins, the American consular agent at Puebla, Mex., declares in a letter received by John E. Edgerton, of Lebanon, Tenn., today, who was captain of the Vanderbilt football team when Jenkins played tackle.

Writing in the Puebla prison, Jenkins said:

"I regret very much the great notoriety that has been given to my bit of hard luck, in being carried away by some bandits who live near here, but it has been unavoidable, although it would have been forgotten if the authorities had not tried to cover up their criminal responsibility in allowing this city to be unguarded, by charging me with my own abduction. So they have used every means possible to get certain evidence to cover up their absurd pretensions.

"I have never in all my life seen such a farce as they are carrying out here, for I have been condemned without being allowed to present a single witness in my behalf, though I had

## ELECTION CARRIED FOR STREET PAYING

### Bond Issue Is Easily Carried—Aldermen Named for Two Wards.

The election Tuesday on the question of voting One Hundred Thousand Dollars for street improvement aroused very little interest, less than one hundred votes being cast. The result of the election was 82 in favor of the bond issue and 9 against.

In the aldermanic races, Dr. Jack H. Young and Mr. Pet B. Adair were elected from wards four and one respectively, neither of the candidates having any opposition. They fill the two places in council made vacant by the death of Mr. Jas. W. Leaman, and the moving from the city of Mr. S. J. Kilgore.

The announcement that the bond issue has been carried will be received with cordial interest. The bonds are to be applied exclusively for the building, erecting, establishing and maintenance of streets in the Town of Clinton and are to bear interest not to exceed five per cent per annum and payable annually from 1926 to 1950 inclusive.

It is hoped by the city authorities that the bonds can be sold immediately and the proposed street improvement will begin in the near future.

### TO PREACH SUNDAY.

Rev. J. F. Ligon, Pastor of Presbyterian Church at Hendersonville, N. C. will preach in the Commercial Club room to the William Plumer Jacobs Memorial congregation next Sunday, December 14th. Everybody is invited, and will be cordially welcomed. Mr. Ligon is a brother of Prof. Ligon, formerly of the Presbyterian College of South Carolina, and of Mr. G. H. Ligon, well known to many people in Clinton. He is the son of Rev. R. C. Ligon, who for many years was pastor at Iva, S. C. in South Carolina Presbytery. Mr. J. F. Ligon has made a most commendable record at Hendersonville, N. C. where his work has been quiet a success. He formerly preached at Woodruff, S. C.

Rev. J. H. Clark of Forsyth Ga., a former Clinton boy, who has very many friends in Clinton, will preach for the William Plumer Jacobs Memorial congregation on Sunday, December 28th. Services on both dates are at 11 A. M.

### YOUTH FOUND GUILTY.

#### Cottran Convicted of Murder of Chauffeur.

Bellaire, Md., Dec. 5.—Clarence Cottran of Florida, a 20 year old white youth was found guilty here today of murdering John T. Weldon, a negro chauffeur who was driving Cottran and his wife, 18 years old, from Philadelphia to Baltimore last July. Robbery was the motive of the crime. The jury returned a verdict of "murder in the first degree without capital punishment," which carried with it life imprisonment.

Weldon was killed near Charles-town, Md. July 7th, Mrs. Cottran testifying that her husband shot him to get possession of his valuable diamond ring.

Cottran also was indicted in Montgomery county, Maryland, for the murder of Homer Jones, another negro chauffeur, whose car he is alleged to have stolen and is charged with kidnapping a nine year old girl in Baltimore and taking her to Florida.

Mrs. Cottran is held as accessory in these alleged crimes.

them ready, and even presented them to the courts, but was told that they were too busy to hear them. At the present moment (Nov. 21) the secretary of the embassy of Mexico City is here taking this testimony, that it may be presented to the state department inasmuch as the courts refuse to accept it.

"I have plenty of testimonies to offset any false evidence that they can possibly produce, but, as I say, Mexico justice is of a certain brand at the present time, and it can't be changed."