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ONLY 2 More Shopping Days Before Xmas.

The Weather.
South Carolina: Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday.

Where, in Algeria or on a bottle?
Don't split it; Xmas is an un-lucky quantity.—Newberry Observer.

What's happened to the "Gospel of Peace"?
We know of nothing more certain than a mad in Anderson following a mad season.

Greenwood has many more murders than the Atlanta of South Carolina in that respect.

Europe are said to be factoring. So are turks in this just now with the Christmas at a few days off.

Frank and Thaw playing for the first time again, Villa and Carrara retire to the inside of the newspaper.

Respectfully invite attention of newspaper reporters to a good story that will be turning up soon.—Ground.

War correspondents have cured the pneumonia of his severe case and have placed him again at the western battle front.

Annette Kellerman at the Lyric today reads a headline in the Greenville News yesterday. We don't know where the paragraph of the Greenville News spent the greater part of yesterday.

A MULE PROBLEM
The Atlanta Constitution says: "Take care of your mules in the south."

Now here's a problem. All mules are alike in disposition, in obedience, in tractable power, and in temperament—that approaches that of the prima donna.

Now, then, it is all a Georgia darkey to get a mule to yank a plow through the furrow, and the Georgia darkey knows more about mules than a Michigan man about Mexico.

What is going to happen when a Frenchman attempts to manage a Georgia mule? Will that palavering courier for which the French are proverbial serve to break the backbone of the mule's obduracy and make him haul a heavy artillery at the record-breaking pace? We harbor doubt.

And in Germany? That is, indeed, a problem. Can the Georgia or Missouri mule understand enough German to be of use to the Kaiser's men? We harbor bewilderment.

Roanoke, Ab, there, if you will permit us, the crux of the mule in the European war, if the phrase is allowable. Everybody knows that a healthy, progressive Russian sentence of ordinary proportions and blood-pressure can tip up the ordinary American Englishman. What effect will it have on the mule? The speculation is appealing. Will it break his proud spirit or will it send him kicking and roaring into battle?

Well, this mule problem holds in the hands of the gods. The brute with the long ears and the sturdy hammer head will need a special historian.

BELGIANS IN ANDERSON

In the news columns of The Intelligencer this morning appear reports from authentic sources of six white families of the city and county who are brought face to face with the grim spectre of starvation.

Not so many years ago the people of the United States were aroused to righteous indignation by reports of starvation among Cubans who were ground beneath the iron heel of Spanish domination. What took place when forces of the United States interceded in behalf of the downtrodden people is too well known to need reviewing at this time.

All of which is well and good and most commendable. But we have here at our doors families who are in as dire straits as some of those in Belgium. Cannot we do as much for them as we did for the Belgians Christmas Fund? So far there has been turned into this office the sum of \$7.60 for the "Belgians in Anderson." That is considerably less than the \$260 dollars sent to the victims of the European war.

THE FAIR PLAY RIOT

In the absence of reliable information regarding the trouble at Fair Play on last Sunday afternoon, we hesitate to comment to any extent on the unfortunate affair. But one thing we do know, and that is that Fair Play, the county of Oconee and South Carolina are coming in for a lot of bad advertising as a result of what appears to be highly exaggerated reports being sent over the country about the affair and printed in the daily newspapers.

We have reference in particular to the following account of the trouble coming over the wires last night, which surely must be highly colored and exaggerated:

between whites and negroes in Oconee county, near Fair Play, S. C., which on Sunday resulted in the killing of four negroes and the wounding of four white men, was renewed early today, according to reports from the scene received here late today.

We happen to know that statements in the above dispatch are erroneous. Those who know the facts of the case owe it to their community to give the correct version of the affair.

UNNEUTRAL NEUTRALITY

Certain members of Congress, principally Mr. Bartholdt, of Missouri, a Republican, and Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, a disgruntled Democrat, who opposes everything that President Wilson stands for, seem to think that it is possible, and proper, for the American Congress to undertake to amend the rules of international law.

It is the effort of these statesmen to have Congress prevent the shipping of arms and other war material to any of the nations now engaged in strife by American manufacturers and producers. It is notable that no objection to the export of such materials has been expressed except by those who favor Germany in the present struggle.

"Whenever a trade in contraband of war reaches large dimensions, the state whose adversary it is supplied by means of it is apt to complain. It reproaches the government of the offending vendors with neglect of the duties of neutrality, and argues that friendship and impartiality alike demand the stoppage of a traffic which supplies its foes with the sinews of war. But it invariably receives in reply a reminder that the practice of nations imposes no such obligation upon neutrality."

It is the conduct of commercial states when neutral that is of course any complaints they may make will be a hollow protest.

sia, for instance, whose merchants had conducted an enormous trade in contraband goods across her eastern frontier during the Crimean war, denounced in vigorous language the conduct of the British authorities in permitting English firms to sell arms and ammunition to France in 1870.

"Amid all the instances of international recrimination, one fact stands out clear and indubitable. No powerful neutral state has ever interfered to stop a trade in arms and ammunition carried on by its subjects with agents of a belligerent government. It is impossible, therefore, to avoid the conclusion that the only restraint on such trade known to international law is the liability of contraband to capture even under a neutral flag."

SHOWS BALANCE IN FAVOR OF U. S.

Custom House Reports From the 12 Districts Show Increase of 7,000,000 Over Last Week.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Customs house reports from the 12 districts handling 86 per cent of the nation's foreign trade show a balance in favor of the United States for the week ended December 19 of \$27,028,263, an increase of approximately \$7,000,000 over the balance for the previous week.

Exports for the week of December 19 amounted to \$49,440,242 and imports totaled \$22,411,979. During the week ended December 7 exports were \$45,417,932, imports \$24,422,446. From November 30 to December 19 exports totaled \$141,678,800 as against \$71,808,709 in imports.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—More than a score of firemen were overcome by smoke and five others were otherwise injured tonight fighting a fire that destroyed the four-story warehouse of Charles M. N. Killen, dealer in wall paper. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

No Foundation For Reports. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Governor General Harrison, of the Philippines, cabled the war department today that 'no foundation for published reports of a Filipino uprising in which two companies of Philippine scouts on Corregidor Islands had been disbanded.

Nearly Half Million Soldiers Treated. PARIS, Dec. 22.—(6:35 p. m.)—Almost half a million wounded soldiers were treated in French hospitals between September 15 and November 30, according to official figures submitted today to the army committee of the chamber of deputies. The precise number was given as 489,733, of whom 2.48 per cent died.

Presents Credentials. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Dr. Stephen Panaretoff, first Bulgarian minister to the United States, today presented his credentials to President Wilson. Dr. Panaretoff expressed the kind feelings entertained by the Bulgarian rulers and people for the United States. The president replied, warmly welcoming the minister.

Increase in Cotton Transactions. SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 22.—Material increase in cotton transactions at this port, due to the demand for the staple abroad, was noted today. Both receipts and shipments exceeded those of any previous day this season.

Drop Thoughts of Christmas. BERLIN, Dec. 22.—A Cologne Gazette correspondent telegraphs from the headquarters of the Duke of Wurtemberg that there has been such unusual activity on the west front the soldiers have dropped all thoughts of preparing for a Christmas celebration.

Smuggling Party Destroyed. BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Dec. 22.—A smuggling party from Texas was "met and completely destroyed" by Carranza troops opposite Zapata, Texas, near here, December 20. This message was received in Matamoros today by the Carranza commander there.

Drawing the Line. "How about a tar roof for your hotel?" asked the agent. "Not in this town," declared the landlord of the Upperville house. "The boys have already carried off half my beds for tar-and-feather parties. I don't want 'em to begin on my roof."

His Speed Limit. First Fond Mother—My Reginald has to have a new set of school books every year. Second Fond Mother—He should take Harold for an odel. My Harold always stays in the same books for three years.—New York Evening Post.

RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO THE STATES AN AMENDMENT

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several perfecting amendments. The first altered the phrasing of the first section of the proposed amendment, and included a clause against importation of intoxicating liquors. It was adopted without a division.

Another amendment presented by Representative Mann would have been an absolute prohibition of the "manufacture, transportation, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors" for any purpose.

Representative Morrison then offered his substitute for the first section of the Hobson amendment. It prohibited interstate commerce in intoxicating liquors. A point of order against this amendment made by Representative Harrison, of Mississippi, was overruled.

On a rising vote it was defeated, 41 to 213. An effort to obtain a record vote failed. Immediately after announcement of the votes the house adjourned, the crowd that had packed the galleries throughout the prolonged debate dispersing with mingled expressions of regret and jubilation.

Prohibition leaders declared the vote of 197 for the resolution had come up to their expectations, as they had not expected a two-thirds majority. Whether a similar resolution submitted by Senator Sheppard, of Texas, would reach a vote in the senate at this season was not certain tonight.

Notwithstanding repeated public assertions that many members of the house would try to dodge a record vote, the roll call disclosed a heavy attendance, larger than the average throughout the session. To have carried the house the Hobson resolution would have required 268 affirmative votes. It thus failed to carry by 61 votes.

The vote: For the Hobson resolution—Democrats: Abercrombie, Adamson, Alkon, Alexander, Baker, Barkley, Bell, of Georgia; Borchers, Bolland, Brodbeck, Burnett, Byrnes, South Carolina; Byrnes, Tennessee; Chandler, Mississippi; Carraway, Carr, Carter, Clark, Florida; Collier, Connolly, Kansas; Crisp, Decker, Dietrick, Derrahem, Dickinson, Dillenderfer, Doolittle, Evans, Haison, Ferguson, Ferris, Fields, Finley, Flood, Floyd, Foster, Fowler, Francis, Garrett, Texas; Glass, Goodwin, Gudger, Hamlin, Harrison, Hay, Hayden, Helm, Helvering, Hensley, Hobson, Holland, Houston, Howard, Hoxworth, Hughes, Georgia; Hunt, Humphreys, Mississippi; Jacobway, Johnson, Kentucky; Johnson, South Carolina; Jones, Keating, Kindell, Kirkpatrick, Kitchin, Lever, Lewis, Maryland; Lloyd, McKellar, Moon, Murray, Neely, West Virginia; O'Hair, Oldfield, Padgett, Page, North Carolina; Park, Post, Quinn, Ragdale, Falney, Raker, Rubey, Rucker, Russell, Saunders, Seldomridge, Shackelford, Simms, Sisson, Smith, Maryland; Smith, Texas; Sparkman, Stegman, Stephens, Mississippi; Stephens, Texas; Stout, Tazewell, Tavenner, Taylor, Alabama; Taylor, Arkansas; Taylor, Colorado; Thomas, Thompson, Oklahoma; Tribble, Walker, Watkins, Watson, Weaver, Webb, Whaley, White, Wingo and Young, of Texas—Total 114.

Republican: Anderson, Anthony, Austin, Avis, Burton, Britten, Burke, South Dakota; Butler, Cambell, Cramton, Dillon, Dunn, Farr, Fess, Fordney, French, Good, Green, Iowa; Great, Hamilton Michigan; Hamilton, New York; Haugen, Hawley, Helgesen, Hinds, Humphrey, Washington; Johnson, Washington; Kelster, Kelley, Michigan; Kennedy, Iowa; Kless, Pennsylvania; Kinkaid, Nebraska; Kreider, LaPollette, Langham, Langley, Lindbergh, Lindquist, McKenzie, McLaughlin, Maps, Mondell, Morgan, Oklahoma; Moss, West Virginia; Nelson, Norton, Patton, Pennsylvania; Peters, Plumley, Puters, Pennsylvania; Shreve, Sinnott, Sleno, Sloan, Smith, Idaho; J. M. C. Smith, Samuel W. Smith, Steenerson, Sutherland, Switzer, Towner, Volstead, Wallin, Willis, Woods and Young, of North Carolina—Total 67.

Progressives: Bryan, Falconer, Hinebaugh, Hulings, Kelley, Pennsylvania; Lewis, Pennsylvania; McDonalld, Michigan; Ruple, Thompson, Illinois; Walters and Woodruff—Total 1.

Progressive-Republicans: Bell, California; Copley, Illinois; Lafferty, Oregon, and Stephens, California—Total 4.

Against the resolution: Democrats: Adair, Allen, Aswell, Bailey, Barnhart, Bartlett, Bathrick, Beakes, Blackmon, Boher, Bowdler, Brockson, Broussard, Brown, New York; Bruckner, Buchanan, Illinois; Buchanan, Texas; Bulkeley, Burgess, Burke, Wisconsin; Callaway, Califor; Cantrell, Cary, Carlin, Casey, Church, Clancy, Cline, Coady, Conroy, Cox, Crosser, Cullon, Cale, Dent, Dies, Dixon, Donohoe, Donovan, Dooling, Doremus, Timpree, Driscoll, Eagan, Eagle, Estepal, Fitzgerald, Fitzhenry, Gallagher, Gillman, Gard, Garner, George, Gerry, Gill, Gleeke, Goldfogle, Gordon, Gooden, Gray, Graham, Illinois; Griffin, Hamill, Hammond, Hardy, Hart, Hefflin, Henry, Hill, Ives, Kennedy, Connecticut; Keener, Key, Ohio; Kinkead, New Jersey; Korbly, Lidenor, Lee, Georgia; Lee, Pennsylvania; Leisher, Levy, Lieb, Linticum, Lobeck, Loft, Loneragan, McAndrews, McGillicuddy, Marzette, Nebraska; Mahan, Mather, Mitchell, Montagu, Moranz, Louisiana; Morrison, Moss, Indiana; Mulkey, O'Brien, Oglesby, O'Leary, O'Shaunessy, Palmer, Patten, New York; Peterson, Phelan, Put, Price, Rauch, Rayburn, Reed, Reilly, Connecticut; Reilly, Wisconsin; Rirdan, Rouse, Sabbath, Sepilly, Shirley, Sherwood, Slayden, Smith, New York; Stanley, Stephens, Nebraska; Stevens, New

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