

None of 'em are in it at fun-making with the Katzenjammers, Happy Hooligan and little Snookums.

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THE WEATHER.
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BASE BALL WAR COMES TO END IN COMPROMISE

American League Magnates Agree to Settlement Reached by National and Federal Moguls.

INDEPENDENT LOOP WILL GO

Bar Johnson's Organization Will Name Committee to Meet Envoys of Other Bodies.

'OUTLAWS' ARE GOING TO BUY IN

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The end of the base ball war came in sight tonight when American league magnates at their annual session here agreed to the peace terms arranged at New York between the Federal and National leagues.

Within a few days, according to President B. B. Johnson of the American league, the details of the agreement, which does away with the Federals as an independent league, will be arranged, the American league having consented to appoint a committee to meet envoys from the other two organizations.

The announcement of the agreement came after a session which took up most of the afternoon and at which nothing was discussed except peace proposals of the Federal league.

Dreyfus and the Messenger.

These, agreed to at New York by the National league, were relayed to the American league meeting by Barney Dreyfus, president of the Pittsburgh Nationals, who came on from the east as a messenger of peace. For an hour Mr. Dreyfus addressed the club owners. Terms of the agreement were not made public, both Mr. Dreyfus and the magnates agreeing to keep silent on these, but it is generally understood that the consolidation of the National and Federal is the basis. President Johnson declared that there would be only two leagues, the American and National.

To a later session was left the appointment of a committee to meet the committees of the other leagues. The joint peace session probably will take place within a week, according to Mr. Johnson, at New York or Chicago.

Many details remain to be arranged. These involve the ball players who jumped from one league to another and may result in many of the clubs getting back those who left in the war crisis.

East Market in Sight.

The feeling that peace was about to be concluded put a stop to a good deal of the trade talk which preceded the meeting. That the effect of the war's end would be to create an east market for ball players, Mr. Dreyfus declared, and all concerned denied that any trades had been arranged.

Peace talk took up so much time that the league at its afternoon session had no time to take up other matters, though there was some discussion of the Cleveland club's affairs. Mr. Dreyfus declared there was no mention of the Cleveland club in the terms he brought.

"Peace is better than war," said Mr. Dreyfus tonight, "and I told the American league magnates so. We reached terms with the Federal league, which are agreeable to both the National and Federal leagues, and our proposition met with the approval of the American league. Our close relations with the American league made it desirable that complete accord exist on the question, and it looks as if we had reached that."

No Cleveland Angle.

"I laid the terms before the American league at its meeting here, and can say no more about it. I can get no details. My work is over, and I expect to leave for Pittsburgh. There was no Cleveland angle to the terms—the Cleveland club's affairs are in the hands of the American league and our league has nothing to say about them."

"The end of the base ball war is in sight," said President Johnson. "The plans for peace submitted by Mr. Dreyfus were agreeable to the American league, according to the sense of our meeting, and tonight at a later session we shall appoint a committee to go over the details. It is probable that a meeting of the three committees will be followed by a meeting of the national commission." (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

5 a. m.	34
6 a. m.	34
7 a. m.	34
8 a. m.	34
9 a. m.	34
10 a. m.	34
11 a. m.	34
12 m.	34
1 p. m.	34
2 p. m.	34
3 p. m.	34
4 p. m.	34
5 p. m.	34
6 p. m.	34
7 p. m.	34
8 p. m.	34
9 p. m.	34
10 p. m.	34
11 p. m.	34
12 m.	34

Comparative Local Record:

Highest today	1915, 1914, 1913, 1912
Lowest today	27
Mean temperature	34
Precipitation	0.00
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal	
Normal temperature	32
Excess for the day	2
Total deficiency since March 1	91
Normal precipitation	39.1
Deficiency for the day	0.00
Precipitation since March 1	0.00
Deficiency since March 1	39.1
Deficiency cor. period 1914	3.85
Deficiency cor. period 1913	5.35

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State	Temp.	High.	Low.
Chester, Mo.	34	34	34
Denver, Colo.	22	24	20
Des Moines, Ia.	26	28	24
North Platte, Neb.	24	26	22
Omaha, Neb.	34	34	34
Rapid City, S. Dak.	22	24	20
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	24	26	22
Valentine, Neb.	24	26	22

T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

MME. MABEL GROUITCH, American wife of a former Serbian minister to the United States, who is safe in Saloniki, after saving thirty-eight refugees from Gievigli.



GRAIN AND LIVE STOCK MEN MEET

Farmers' Co-Operative Grain and Live Stock Association Opens State Convention Here.

CHICAGO MAN MAKES A TALK

The early delegates to the convention of the Nebraska Farmers' Co-Operative Grain and Live Stock State association opening at the Rome yesterday, spent the forenoon visiting the Grain exchange and watching the trading in operation. The trading begins at 10:30 and the delegates were invited to be there at that time to watch all the activities of this lively hour.

As Road Builders.

Guy Briggs of Coleridge, vice president of the association, in an address in the afternoon spoke of the great results the local associations have brought about in their respective communities and gave some instances from his own locality. He told of how the members had got out and built roads for a series of days when the highways had got into bad shape. They got men to agree to put in one day with a team for nothing, with the agreement that for all subsequent days they worked they would get \$4 a day.

"In six weeks we built forty-three miles of the finest road ever seen in that part of the country," said Mr. Briggs. "Right now those same men are planning on doing some road work in the spring. They are enthusiastic over it, and right here."

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No Violation of The Liquor Law At Rome Hotel

A jury of six men in county court yesterday found Rome Miller not guilty of selling liquor after hours in the Rome hotel vineyard. Although eight witnesses testified that they had purchased and drunk beer and whiskey in the vineyard on different evenings last summer between the hours of 9 and 11 o'clock at night, Mr. Miller in his own defense swore that he had given instructions to his employees that the law should be obeyed.

BAND OF ROBBERS IS TAKEN AT MEXICO CITY

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 15.—A band of robbers who masked as army officers, and who obtained valuables and money totaling nearly \$100,000, has been arrested at Mexico City, according to a cablegram received by the Mexican consulate today.

The band is said to have consisted of thirteen men and five women. The arrests followed a battle in which two policemen were wounded.

FARMERS' EQUITY UNION IN SESSION

Some of the Members Want to Discuss Co-Operative Packing Plants.

UNION SHOWS BIG GROWTH

The prospect of establishing co-operative packing plants in the country, is one of the things that will likely be discussed when the resolutions committee makes its report to the fifth annual national convention of the Farmers' Equity Union at Hotel Castle Thursday or Friday.

Hundred Delegates Present.

Nearly 100 delegates were present at the opening session. North and South Dakota delegates went into the meeting without breakfast, as they got in on the morning train just in time to hustle to the meeting. Some of these gentlemen began to clamor for a recess about 10:45, for they insisted that they must have breakfast, and that from the way they felt they believed they could take breakfast and luncheon before coming back to the meeting.

But President C. O. Dayton of Greenville, Ill., made them stay and listen to his presidential address, after which he let them all go for a noon-hour recess as early as 11:30.

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SIR JOHN FRENCH LOSES COMMAND OF BRITISH HOST

Lieutenant General Douglas Haig Appointed Chief of English Armies in France and Flanders.

NO LACK OF RECRUITS NOW

Earl of Derby Tells House of Lords 'We Were Absolutely Snowed Under.'

GROSS TOTAL VERY LARGE

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant General Sir Douglas Haig has been appointed to succeed Field Marshal John French in command of the British armies in France and Flanders.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—In the House of Lords today the earl of Derby, director of recruiting, when questioned regarding the results of his recruiting campaign declined to give any figures in advance of Premier Asquith's statement, which will be made public next week.

"The earl declared, however, that 'we were absolutely snowed under' with recruits last week, and that the gross total of enrollment was very large. He added that it would be impossible to call up the married men until the country was convinced that single men had come forward to enlist to such an extent as to leave only a negligible quantity unaccounted for."

"We must keep faith to the pledge the premier gave the married men," said the earl. "Nobody can yet say whether or not the single men have come forward in sufficient numbers. That will be known Tuesday."

Federal Mediator Trying to Settle Chicago Belt Strike

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A federal mediator, G. W. Hanger, today began an effort to settle the strike of employees of the Chicago Belt Railway, through whole switching yards a big percentage of freight passing into and through Chicago is handled.

A. F. Whitney, local head of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, said today:

"If our demands are declined by the Chicago Belt line, every yard man in the employ of the seventeen roads entering Chicago will be called out within four days. Four thousand men will be affected."

Seventeen chairmen of the Trainmen's Brotherhood conferred today regarding the alleged failure of the railroads entering Chicago to fulfill contracts with the unions.

The strike on the Belt railway was called yesterday because the company refused to furnish the men train service to their work at Clearing, the site of the switching yards. The men said they were obliged to walk long distances to their work.

Guns of Germans Bring Down Four 'Planes of Allies'

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—Four allied airplanes, including one battle plane with two motors, were brought down by German anti-aircraft guns, the war office announced today, during raids on Bapaume and Peronne in France, and Yulheim, Baden.

A successful attack on an English steamer was made by German aviators. In the Balkan campaign the retreating Serbians are being pursued farther. Southwest of Plejive, in northern Montenegro, they were driven across the Tara river, and farther to the east across the Orsh-Brodovo line. Several hundred prisoners were taken.

TEN CARS OF CARRANZA TROOPS AT EL PASO

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 15.—Ten cars of Carranza troops arrived today from Piedras Negras bound for Nogales, Sonora, according to the chief dispatcher of the El Paso & Southwestern railroad. It was said the cars would leave here about 3 p. m.

The National Capital

Wednesday, December 15, 1915.

The House.
Met at noon.
Miscellaneous business considered.
Ways and means committee submits majority report urging a year's extension of emergency revenue law.
The judiciary committee set Friday for the hearing of Representative Buchanan's impeachment charges against United States Attorney Marshall.
Adjourned at 2:15 p. m. until noon Thursday.

The Senate.
In adjournment.

Delegates to Peace Conference at Berne Held Up at German Frontier

BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 14.—(Via Paris, Dec. 15.)—The members of the executive committee of the international congress to study the basis of a durable peace are still held up along the German-Swiss frontier, and no word has been received here concerning their whereabouts or the prospect of their arrival here. On this account it may be necessary to postpone the meeting of the executive committee, as the congress itself was postponed.

Thus far only one member of the com-

Entente Powers Closely Watching For Next Move of Bulgaria

LONDON, Dec. 15.—With official details both from French and Greek sources of the reports that the Bulgarians had entered Greek territory the entente capitals await with keen interest the next move of the central powers in the Macedonia theater of war.

The question asked on all sides is, "What will the Bulgarians do now if they have realized—whether temporarily or permanently—remains to be seen—the greater part of their national aspirations in Macedonia?"

Military observers here say it is recognized that without Bulgarian co-operation the Austro-Germans at present are not in sufficient strength to attack the Anglo-French forces in Greek territory. The report of the presence of large German forces in the ranks of the Bulgarians is considered in London to be exaggerated.

On the contrary, according to the best available information only small German detachments are included, and these consist chiefly of artillery men.

The situation in Macedonia formed the subject of lengthy ministerial conferences at Athens yesterday, and at their conclusion the Reuter correspondent says he learned:

DECLARES BRITISH EMPIRE IS FALLING

President of German Reichstag Says When It Has Gone to Pieces Will Never Rise Again.

MORE PUNCH IN 'IRON FIST'

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—In the course of his address before the Reichstag yesterday Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the treasury, said:

"Responsibility for the blood which will flow from now on, for the misery which comes upon the world, for the danger to which civilization is exposed, falls not upon Germany, but upon those who cannot resolve to draw the conclusion from Germany's military successes, which no one can dispute any longer. The responsibility falls upon those who, in their foolish and criminal illusions, still speak of annihilation and partition of Germany and of a war of exhaustion."

"We stand like a rock on the soil of the home country, and on the golden pillars of the British empire are written in glowing letters the same words as were written on the wall of Belshazzar's palace."

Dr. Helfferich declared that Great Britain had underestimated the costs of the war badly.

Dr. Helfferich brought his speech to a close with a defiance of Germany's enemies to make good their threats to plunge Germany into starvation and bankruptcy.

Dr. Helfferich declared:

"The British empire was largely built upon and maintained by British money powers. With the shaking of the English financial powers, the foundation of the British empire is tottering, and when it has gone to pieces, it will never rise again."

Says Bridgeport Plant Accepted Dumdum Contract

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 15.—Charges that a Bridgeport, Conn., factory accepted a contract with the British government to supply the English army with dumdum bullets were made today in an affidavit filed with Assistant United States Attorney Knox by Dr. Herbert Kienale.

Dr. Kienale is one of the six men indicted with Robert Pay on the charge of conspiring to blow up ships carrying munitions of war to the allies. His affidavit is in support of a motion for a separate trial and the appointment of a commission to take evidence in his behalf in Germany.

A similar motion was made for Engelber Bronkhorst, another of the indicted men.

Life Imprisonment For Montgomery, Murderer of Wife

ARTHUR MONTGOMERY, negro, who shot and killed his wife, Mrs. Ollie Montgomery, September 2, pleaded guilty to a charge of second degree murder before Judge English and was sentenced to a life term in the penitentiary.

Montgomery confessed to the police that he had quarreled with his wife when she told him she was going to meet another man. Other witnesses said Mrs. Montgomery had started to go to a grocery store when the shooting occurred.

German Subsea is Sunk in Black Sea

PARIS, Dec. 14.—(5:30 a. m.—Delayed)—correspondent at Athens of the Milan Secolo says a German submarine has been sunk in the Black Sea off the Bulgarian port of Varna, and that a Turkish torpedo boat has been sunk in the Sea of Marmora by the British.

Powder Town Fire is Not Incendiary

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Preliminary reports from the Department of Justice agents, who investigated the recent conflagration at Hopewell, Va., indicate that it was not the work of an incendiary and practically disposed of the matter so far as the department is concerned.

VASSAR GRADUATE KILLS SELF AT MADISON, WIS.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 15.—Lilitha M. Folks, 22, Vassar graduate, taking special work at the University of Wisconsin, shot and killed herself on a lonely spot off the Middleton road some time last night or early today. Her body was found by R. W. Yockey, a farmer. No motive for the tragedy is known.

BULGARS STILL ON OWN SIDE OF GREEK BORDER

Athens Government Denies Report that the Slav Allies of Tentons Have Crossed Into the Kingdom of Greece.

FRENCH RETREAT IS ORDERLY

Buildings Burned and All Civil Inhabitants and Food Taken Into Greece.

CITY OF GIEVGLI IS RAZED

PARIS, Dec. 14.—(Delayed.)—The Matin's Saloniki correspondent says it is learned from a good authority that Bulgarian troops have entered Greek territory in the Strumitsa region.

A dispatch from Athens to the Temps says the Greek government has ordered the Fifth Greek army corps to leave Saloniki.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The Greek government officially denies that Bulgarians have entered Greek territory, and it is considered in competent quarters here that an entrance of the Bulgarians into Greek Macedonia is improbable, says a Havas dispatch from Athens under Tuesday's date.

"The press unanimously declares that the presence of Bulgarians in Greek Macedonia would arouse national indignation."

Burn Houses, Carry Off Food.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—In an official Bulgarian report of December 13, as given cut here today by the Overseas News agency, the assertion is made that when the French troops withdrew from southwestern Serbia they took away all the food supplies from the civilian population, burned the houses and drove off the people, leaving them without food or shelter.

French Retreat Orderly.

SALONIKI, Dec. 15.—(Via Paris, Dec. 15.)—(Delayed.)—An eye witness reports that the retirement of the French to their temporary positions in Greece, near the Serbian border, was conducted with great skill. All the wounded were brought in.

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Gompers Has Talk With Wilson on Preparedness

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today told President Wilson that organized labor was ready to give its support to the defense of the nation and should be allowed a voice in making preparations.

Mr. Gompers asked the president to appoint a representative of labor to the commission he may name to confer with army and navy officers on the mobilization of the nation's resources. Since the war started, Mr. Gompers said, belligerent nations had included representatives of labor in every important activity.

The president said he would consider the suggestion carefully.

TWO MILLION MEN JOIN BRITISH ARMY

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Between 2,000,000 and 2,500,000 men have enlisted under the plan of the Earl of Derby, director of recruiting, according to the Daily Sketch. The paper says this figure may be reduced under analysis and that it is quite possible that the figures relative to single men may prove to be below the required standard.

Mr. Tavenner Says Navy League Made Up of Munitions Men

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Representative Tavenner of Illinois made the first preparedness speech of the session in the house today, urging government manufacture of all war materials. He attacked the Navy league as being composed in part by men who profit from the sale of munitions.

Since 1887, Mr. Tavenner declared, four firms in the United States have virtually had a monopoly on war orders, dividing millions for munitions that might have been produced from 20 to 60 per cent cheaper in government arsenals or navy yards.

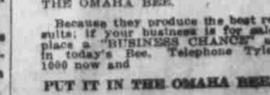
The Day's War News

THE BULGARIANS are now definitely declared to have stopped their pursuit of the Anglo-French forces at the Greek boundary lines. The allied front is said now to extend as far as Kukus, Greece, about twenty-five miles north of Saloniki.

UNOFFICIAL ACCOUNTS of the allied retreat into Greece so far have not mentioned any cutting of the allied lines in a Bulgarian attack, as claimed in a Bulgarian official statement.

TURKISH WAR OFFICE declares the advantage is still with the sultan's troops in the Mesopotamian fighting.

THE WANT-AD-WAY



PUT IT IN THE OMAHA BEE.