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## TATION OF THE ARRUS FAIR NOW NERAL IN SOUTH

Big Crowds and Ex- t Attractions Rep- ion of the Fair Has ad to Many States.

ATTENDANCE URING THE FAIR

People Present on rsday Than During Entire Week in 1923, n Fair Was Opened.

marvelous growth in attend- attractions of the annual District Fair since its be- ive years ago has attracted not only in North Carolina, the entire South Atlantic said Dr. T. N. Spencer, sec- the local association, this

were 502 more paid admis- a single day, Thursday, this there were during the en- in its opening year, 1923. 100,000 persons visited the last week, more than the in Raleigh attracted in its days. With the possible ex- the Southeastern Fair, the District event draws larger than any similar attraction Southern States. Fair associa- tories of other districts cer- their eyes opened by Ca- last week," he continued.

tribute was paid to the peo- and the other eight coun- the district for their whole- operation and spirit of help- Dr. Spencer. He declared officials had received support tributes at every hand and tremendous sucess of the fair was in no small way to this unswerving loyalty.

those last week exceeded that 38 affair by more than 35,000 Saturday night the pro- to be held up so that people and make room for others there for the first time and unable to get into the tight- stands until they were de- But for the steady rain day which kept the crowd particular day lower than it been before, the total for would probably be more im- any other twenty thou-

to races Saturday provided racers with the most thrills of All six of the events were excitement and the audi- keyed up to an unusual the small cars literally flew the oval quarter mile. The fast and sure, and a new was created when Ray his Miller special half a 2.6 seconds.

inter-county singing contest Mecklenburg and Un- carried off the major hon- the former taking first place contest and second place quartette and the latter vice

### WILKES COUNTY MAN KILLED BY TRUCK

A. Pearson Dies Soon After Taken to Hospital—Driver

Wilkesboro, Oct. 16.—A to have been driven at a by a man of the name of struck and fatally injured A. Pearson, an aged resident county, yesterday morning in front of his residence Wilkesboro-Moravian Falls five miles southwest of this immediately following the ac- Pearson was brought to a pital for treatment, but died due to internal injuries, it

Pearson, had he lived until day of February, would have years of age. Seven years Mrs. Pearson, who, with survives, celebrated their wedding anniversary. Six years C. S. Pearson, met death yards of the place where was fatally injured, his car highway and turning over

and burial services were afternoon at Moravian Falls, attending.

was arrested yesterday by is now out under bond. is said to be in Elkin.

### Apple Country Bakes Pie Weighing a Ton.

Wilkesboro, Oct. 15.—Heralded "biggest" an apple pie more than a ton and requir- specially constructed oven and handling, has been baked

bakers, wielding rolling pins rolled the dough for the pies weighing 2,000 pounds baked in a cannery. The of the open-faced variety, of crust criss-crossing over

of the pie was prelimin- preparation of apple sauce. Two school children, each of been promised a bite of gathered around the large out- while it was baking.

### Baker Starts Speech To Last Seven Days.

Geneva, Oct. 15.—President Kemal Pasha today started political flight when he be- seven days speech at the open- first general congress of peoples party. The sec- speech delivered today political character and pic- he described as the tragic of Turkey in 1919, four his ascendancy to power.

### UNLUCKY BABY

Happiness still evades Marian Bleakley Brown of Kansas City (top). Since being an incubator baby (lower), she has had ill fortune, culminating in her suit for divorce from her husband, Dewey Brown.

### STATE COTTON CROP IS NOT DOING WELL NOW

**Crop in Poorer Condition on October 1st Than on September 1st.**

The Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Oct. 12.—A much poorer condition was shown by the North Carolina cotton crop on October 1st than on September 1st, according to the government cotton report, the forecast of production declining from 911,000 bales to 845,000 bales within 30 days, a large part of this decline being due to boll weevil and weather damage, according to a review of the cotton situation in North Carolina issued today by the state crop reporting service.

Virtually all the bolls which will open were open on October 1st, the report says, and their size is about average. The condition of the crop October 1st averaged 57 per cent. normal, as compared with 68 per cent. normal in October, 1926, and with an average condition of 63 per cent. for the past ten years. The yield indicated on October 1st was only 226 pounds of lint per acre, as compared with a yield of 292 pounds per acre in 1926. The average yield over the last ten years has been 256 pounds per acre.

"The stand is considerably better than usual, but by no means perfect," the state report continues. "Due to continued rains, the cotton plants developed later into the fall season than usual, resulting in a dense growth which favored the development of rot and the boll weevil. The weather was wet in the eastern counties and dry in the Piedmont section. Red spider, rust and the boll weevil have been partly responsible for the failure of cotton to put into bolls. Wet weather conditions prevented proper cultivation so as to keep down grass in some sections, with the result that conditions were favorable to weevil development.

"The weevil infestation this season is undoubtedly the worst on record for this state," the report continues. "This pest is responsible for the lack of a top crop and for the shortage of the middle crop and for a damage considerably exceeding earlier expectations. By actual investigation, the lock damage was shown to be slightly in excess of 24 per cent. Farmers report that about 50 per cent. of the bolls show weevil damage in one or more locks. Due to the lateness of the season now, few immature bolls should be counted on to produce cotton after October 1st. About 50 per cent. of the crop had been picked by October 1st."

### JORDAN'S ATTORNEYS NOT GOING TO RALEIGH

**Instead, Will See Commissioner Bridges About Pardon While He Is In Charlotte.**

Charlotte, Oct. 15.—Attorneys for Rev. Willis T. Jordan, convicted of bigamy and sentenced to serve 18 months in the state penitentiary, will not go to Raleigh to make an appeal for a pardon before Governor McLean and Pardon Commissioner Edwin B. Bridges.

When it was learned today that Commissioner Bridges was coming to Charlotte and would be here for several weeks Tom P. Jimison, of the minister's counsel, declared that the Raleigh trip would be unnecessary.

Commissioner Bridges will enter a hospital here for treatment for his throat. He declared tonight that he could take the Jordan case under consideration while in the city.

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Service in fact is offered by the Wilkinson Funeral Home.

## LEVINE BACK WITH PLANS FOR SERVICE ACROSS THE OCEAN

**Says Next Summer He Will Try Flight From Europe to America.—Halted by Bad Weather.**

### MAIL SERVICE TO START SOON

**Levine Says Within Two Years He Will Have Service Carrying Letters Across For 50 Cents.**

New York, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Charles A. Levine, the only trans-Atlantic air passenger, came home today.

He announced on his arrival that he would fly the reverse journey from Europe to America next summer, and that within two years he would have in operation an ocean air mail service carrying letters to Europe for 50 cents apiece.

Levine was taken from the Leviathan at Quarantine on the city tug Macon which carried the mayor's reception committee headed by Grover Whalen and relatives and friends of the flyer.

Clarence Chamberlain, Levine's pilot on his ocean hop, was not on the Macom, and no reason for his absence was given.

In his interview, Levine would barely sketch his plans for future air enterprises.

"I've got all kinds of plans," he said, "but let other people do the talking. I'll do the flying."

Among the crowd at the battery was a process-server, waiting to give Levine papers in a suit brought against him as president of the Columbia Aircraft Corporation by the Aeronautical Digest Publishing Corporation.

The process-server announced for all to hear that he was going to be "first to greet Levine," but as he tried to push his way up the gang plank, he was brushed aside by police and became lost in the crowd.

As Levine climbed into an automobile the process-server caught up and tapped him on the shoulder. Levine's attorney accepted the summons in his behalf.

Before he left the Macom, Levine was asked by a reporter for a Jewish paper if it was true that he had denied being a Jew in Warsaw.

"Why should I do that?" Levine countered. "I was asked if I was a Jew, and my reply naturally was that I am an American. I was born 37 years ago in North Adams, Mass., on St. Patrick's Day."

### GIRL SAYS LONG SWIM WAS A HOAX

**London Doctor Confesses She Did Not Swim English Channel.**

London, Oct. 15.—The News of the World will say tomorrow that Dorothy Cochran Logan, London physician, in a confession to the paper declared that she did not swim the English Channel. The woman physician whose record breaking performance was announced last Tuesday in the "confession" to the paper declared that she had perpetrated the hoax to show it was easy to deceive the public and in order to show the desirability of establishing an international commission to supervise and certify all channel swims.

**To End Fakes.**

"It was a fake to end fakes," the physician whose whose swim under the name of Miss Mona McClellan and was widely hailed as the woman whose time of 13 hours and 10 minutes bettered the record of 14 hours and 31 minutes held by Gertrude Ederle of New York, is quoted as saying.

Her revelation is supported by her trainer, Horace H. Carey, and her good faith protected by a letter she wrote explaining her purpose before leaving Hythe, England, for Cape Griz Nez, France, from which point she was said to have started her swim.

Dr. Logan in making the disclosure returned to the World a check for 1,000 pounds, which the paper had offered to the English woman who should improve upon Miss Ederle's time.

After entering the sea at Cape Griz Nez Monday afternoon Miss Logan relates, she swam until she was beyond the sight of land or of any possible observation. Then she was taken into the boat which was convoying her. This was manned by her trainer and two other men acquainted with the whole plan.

She says she remained on the boat for several hours during which she was seasick. She slipped into the water again after daylight Tuesday when three miles from Folkestone, England. She swam ashore and received the greetings of the crowd.

When Miss Logan returned to London she was nearly mobbed by admiring throngs. She was congratulated by friends and the newspapers and officials paid tribute to her.

No book has ever equalled the Bible in sale records.


Street salesmen of an older day greeted passersby with the question: "What do you lack?" The classified advertising page of today simplifies buying and selling because it offers a convenient way for buyers and sellers to meet. If you lack anything, want anything or have merchandise or service to sell, use the classified advertising page for prompt results.

PHONE 78


### PAROLE FOR GASTON B. MEANS GIVEN BOARD'S APPROVAL

Washington, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Gaston B. Means, who is serving a sentence in the Atlanta penitentiary on charges of bribery, has been recommended for parole by the parole board.

### 400 GREAT MEN DID BEST WORK AT AGE OF 50

**Leaders Of Modern World Reach Height Of Ability Between 60 and 70.**

By International News Service.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Four hundred of the greatest men in history performed their best work at the average age of fifty. Modern world leaders reach the height of their ability between the ages of sixty and seventy.

This was the analysis made here by Dr. W. A. Newman Dorland, Chicago surgeon, who has summarized the lives of 400 historical men. Included in the number are such men as Lincoln, Washington, Darwin, Huxley, Shakespeare, Newton, Booth, Michael Angelo, Morse, Balzac, Emerson and Milton.

The height in the careers of the 400 as found by Dr. Dorland, according to occupation was; physicists and chemists, age 41; poets, inventors and dramatists, age 44; novelists, age 46; explorers and soldiers, age 47; musical composers and actors, age 48; ministers and artists, age 50; essayists and reformers, age 51; physicians, surgeons and statesmen, age 52; philosophers, age 54; astronomers, humorists and mathematicians, age 56, historians, age 57; naturalists and judges, age 58.

**Average Span.**

"All of the 400 are dead," Dr. Dorland stated. "Many of them, Poe, Keats and Byron, for example, died in their youth. The average span of life has been lengthened from 35 to 56 years in the last 30 years. I cannot strike an exact average for the best work of the world leaders now living because the world does not yet feel able to judge what is the best work of each.

"But we do know, however, that corporations and universities who retire their men at the age of 60 are wasting their best brains.

"The man of 60 can succeed as well as the man of 30 if he keeps his health, his optimism and his interest.

"Roughly I would say that 85 per cent of the great things accomplished today have been the work of men past the age of 50. J. Pierpont Morgan in 1907 at the age of 70 raised $40,000,000 and averted a panic. The four greatest Japanese generals in the Russo-Japanese war, Kuroki, Oodyu, Oku, and Oyama were all past 60. Hindenburg, Von Bulow, Foch, Haig and Pershing were near 60 during the world war.

**Best Work at 60.**

"In letters and science men of the age of 60 today do their best work. John Bigelow at 94 was writing his "retrospects, three volumes of which appeared after he was 98. Chervreul, eminent French scientist, was in his laboratory busy and active until his death at the age of 103.

"Retiremen of machine workers at a too early age is another waste. Certainly it is far beyond the traditional age of 40, after which they say a man has difficulty in finding industrial work.

"Introduction of machinery into industry lengthens the working life of man. The pick and shovel man sees his strength declining after forty years but the engineer of the trench digger and the big crane may be and probably is better fitted for his job at the age of 60 than 30."

**Three Auto Accidents Send Four to Hospital.**

Salisbury, Oct. 16.—Three automobile accidents in this vicinity this afternoon put four people in the Salisbury hospital. Mrs. Nora Edison and Mrs. J. E. Lowder, of Kannapolis, were bruised and shocked in a crossroad collision with another car on the Lexington road. Mrs. L. R. Wiles, of Albemarle, suffered a severe cut across the face in a collision at Spencer. Will Land, of Kannapolis, had a shoulder dislocated when a radius rod broke.

### THE STOCK MARKET

**Reported by Fenner & Beane**
(Quotations at 1:30 P. M.)

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| Atchison | 183¾ |
| American Can | 65¾ |
| Allied Chemical | 154¾ |
| American Smelting | 166½ |
| American Tel. & Tel. | 181 |
| Allis Chalmers | 116¾ |
| Balwin Locomotive | 250 |
| Baltimore & Ohio | 119⅝ |
| Beth. Steel | 55¾ |
| Ches. & Ohio | 211 |
| Chrysler | 55¾ |
| New York Central | 164¼ |
| Dupont | 336½ |
| Erie | 69¼ |
| Fleishman | 63 |
| St. Louis-Francis, R.R. | 110⅞ |
| General Electric | 132¼ |
| Gold Dust | 66 |
| General Motors | 136⅛ |
| Gen. Ry. Signal | 137¾ |
| Houston Oil | 170½ |
| Hudson Motors | 70¾ |
| Mo. Kans. & Tex. | 45⅛ |
| Kennecott Copper | 74½ |
| Liggett & Myers | 122 |
| Lorillard | 36¼ |
| Mack Truck | 106⅝ |
| Mo.-Pacific Pfd. | 56⅛ |
| Montgomery-Wad | 81⅞ |
| Nash Motors | 87⅞ |
| Packard Motors | 48 |
| Penn. R. R. | 66½ |
| Phillips Pete. | 38⅝ |
| "B" Rey. Tob. Com. | 148⅜ |
| Sears Roebuck | 74¾ |
| Southern Ry. | 134½ |
| Std. Oil of N. J. | 39⅛ |
| Sou. Pac. R. R. | 122¾ |
| Sou. Dairies Pfd. | 53¼ |
| Studebaker Corp. | 55⅛ |
| Tobacco Prodc. | 95 |
| Union Carbine | 131¼ |
| Wabash R. R. | 71⅛ |
| Westinghouse Elec. Co. | 84 |
| West. Mryd R. R. | 61⅜ |
| Yellow Cab and Truck | 32½ |
| Woolworth | 183⅝ |
| U. S. Steel | 145⅛ |

## TWO GIRLS KILLED AND THEIR BODIES THROWN FROM AUTO

**Auto Sped on For Block and Then Came to Halt With Dead Man at the Wheel.—Police Busy.**

### JEALOUSY GIVEN AS THE CAUSE

**Believed Young Man Killed One of Women and Pal Because She Would Not Answer His Affections.**

Chicago, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Two 19-year-old girls were shot to death early today and then thrown from an automobile which sped on for a block before skidding to a stop against the curb, with a dead man at the wheel.

The driver, a bullet through his right temple, was Wilfred Winters, 22, one time taxicab driver, but recently unemployed. The girls who were killed were Catherine Stradler and her cuhm Margaret Martin, both high school graduates of last year.

The triple shooting took place on Rhodes Avenue on the South Side. The neighborhood was aroused by the roar of revolvers about 1 a. m. At least two householders busy on the street went to their windows and looked out to see the bodies of the two girls pushed from the automobile.

Mrs. William J. Martin offered the only suggestion as to a possible motive for the shooting of her daughter. She said she believed Winters had killed Margaret because she would not marry him, and that in a moment of anger or unbalanced mind, also had shot the Stradler girl and then himself.

Police piecing together the history of Winters, learned that his father had disappeared when the boy was only two years old, and that his mother had re-married and moved to Brooks, Ind. Winters, his friends told officers, was industrious and quiet, though he was said to have been morose of late because of his health.

### THE COTTON MARKET.

**Opened Easy Today at Decline of 11 To 31 Points Under Liquidation Or Reselling.**

New York, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The cotton market opened easy today at a decline of 11 to 31 points under liquidation or re-selling by buyers of Saturday who appeared to be influenced by relatively easy Liverpool cables, and a favorable view of over Sunday weather conditions in the South.

Decembers contracts sold off to 20.62 and March to 20.87, or about 29 to 31 points below Saturday's closing quotations, but the selling tapered off at these figures, while trade buying and covering caused rallies of 8 to 10 points from the lowest by the end of the first hour.

The market latter became steadier on covering and buying which appeared promoted by uncertainty regarding the tropical storm in the vicinity of Swan Island, moving northeast, and reports of a generally steady or firm spot basis in the South. December sold up to 20.84 and March to 21.04 late in the forenoon, or within 7 to 14 points of Saturday's close.

Cotton futures opened easy: Dec. 20.75; Jan. 21.68; March 20.95; May 21.14; Oct. 20.59.

### REV. McKENDREE R. LONG

**Opens Revival Service Here Sunday Morning.**

Kannapolis, Oct. 15.—A capacity crowd is expected to tax the First Presbyterian Church here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock to greet the Rev. McKendree R. Long, evangelist of Statesville, when he opens a three weeks' revival campaign, the second to be held in this city in as many years.

Everything has been placed in readiness and a great awakening is anticipated as a result of the meeting. Services are to be held each day at 3 and 7:30 o'clock and on Sunday at 11 and 7 o'clock.

Rev. W. W. Rowland, an efficient singer, of Memphis, Tenn., and a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, will direct the song services, and conduct children and young people's meetings.

**Lassater Purchases Airport at Winston.**

Winston-Salem, Oct. 15.—At a dinner given here Friday night for Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, it was announced that R. E. Lassater, of Winston-Salem, had purchased the new Miller municipal airport and will donate it to the Winston-Salem Foundation.

Income derived from operation of the field will be distributed among funds, one-half to the Leo Caldwell fund for the education of worthy boys and girls, and the other half to a fund for the promotion of aeronautics in this city.

The airport, established on land leased by the county, was recently equipped by A. Clint Miller, who donated the funds for the purpose. Mr. Lassater purchased the field from the county, the purchase price, it is said, being $100,000.

**Child Smothers to Death Under Pile of Cotton.**

Anderson, S. C., Oct. 12.—John Thomas Burgess, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burgess, residing near here, was smothered to death today while playing in cotton with a group of children.

The youngsters were finding sport in covering themselves with the cotton. Several combined in covering the Burgess child and before he could be extricated, suffocation had killed him.

## FALL AND SINCLAIR GO ON TRIAL TODAY BECAUSE OF LEASES

**With Decision of Supreme Court Against Them, Oil Magnate and the Former Cabinet Member on Trial**

### CONSPIRACY IS THE CHARGE

**The Decision of Supreme Court Was in Civil Suit Growing Out of Teapot Dome Oil Lease Case.**

Washington, Oct. 17.—(AP)—With the weight of a Supreme Court decision standing against them, Albert B. Fall and Harry F. Sinclair went on trial today on charges of criminal conspiracy growing out of the famous Teapot Dome naval oil lease.

Although today's proceedings in a District of Columbia court constituted only the criminal phase of the long drawn out fight of the government to cancel the oil leases, negotiated by Fall as Secretary of the Interior, the Supreme Court a week ago in cancelling the Teapot Dome transaction expressed the opinion that the two defendants had conspired together. That opinion, however, was rendered in the civil suit and did not relate directly to the indictment under which Fall and Sinclair are being tried.

A jury of 12 men, selection of which was begun immediately, wil decide as to whether the two men shall go free or be imprisoned up to two years.

Both the former secretary and the multimillionaire oil operator and sportsman were in the little court room early. They presented a sharp contract. Fall, a tall southwest veteran of the stirring pioneer days of the southwest frontier, bore the stamp of experience as a prospector and law officer before he attained to national reputation as senator and cabinet officer.

Sinclair, short, stocky and dapper, was once a small town store clerk, who found his start in the virgin oil fields of Oklahoma, and quicly rose to place and prominence as one of the leading oil operators of the country, and later as owner of famous race horses.

**Will Not Build Lock in Currituck Sound.**

The Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Oct. 17.—Requests of Gov. A. W. McLean and the department of conservation and development for the construction of a lock in the inland waterway near the head of Currituck Sound for the protection of waterfowl and fish have received an unfavorable report from Lt. Col. Henry C. Jewett, district engineer at Norfolk, according to word received by the department.

"The principal grounds upon which my conclusions are based," says Lt. Colonel Jewett, "are that the lock is not necessary for the benefit of navigation, or demanded by navigation interest for the improvement of navigation, or to decrease its hazards; and that the construction of a lock is not a guarantee that it will correct the conditions complained of."

Notice of the report points out that the interested parties have a right of appeal to the board of engineers for rivers and harbors at Washington to which the report is referred.

According to the belief of the state officials and conservationists, a lock in the waterway would protect Currituck Sound fresh water from salt water descending from the north, thereby protecting the vegetation which supplies food for the wildfowl and the fresh water fishing of the sound.

### INDICTED OFFICIALS ARE ASKED TO RESIGN

**Wilkes School Board Chairman, Road Superintendent and Two Commissioners Face Charges.**

North Wilkesboro, Oct. 14.—It is learned officially that all indicted county officials have been requested by Solicitor John R. Jones to resign. This request was made known to various attorneys representing the county officers who have been indicted by the grand jury for alleged irregularities in carrying on their duties, and then transmitted to the officers themselves.

Solicitor Jones, seemingly, is backed by a great number of people in his request that the indicted officials get out, and it is stated that he points out that such action would probably save the county from having to pay the money derived from the six alleged forged notes, which, in some instances, it is said, were signed by some of the county officers.

The indicted officials are C. C. Faw, chairman of the board of education; W. H. Foster, superintendent of roads; C. M. Wellborn and A. Brewer, commissioners.

### SHEPHERD SHOE CONCERN

**Vacates Old Quarters For More Central Location.**

Kannapolis, Oct. 15.—Main street added one more establishment to its colony of business houses with the removal of the Shepherd Shoe Hospital from its old location near the Southern depot yesterday. "The Hospital" now is occupying its new quarters in the new building adjoining the City Barber Shop, which are larger and better equipped than the quarters vacated, and according to H. M. Shepherd, the proprietor, the new place is more centrally located for its business.

Mr. Shepherd has been engaged in the shoe repairing business for several years, always producing first class work. He now has a larger staff of workmen and promises better service.

### Accuser of Pastor

Mrs. Darby Day, Jr., will be reconciled with her millionaire husband, now that she's been released from San Quentin prison after being convicted of throwing acid in his face.

### METHODIST PASTORATE BRINGS ON SPECULATION

**Who Will Be Named to Serve Church At Charlotte With Million Dollar Home?**

Charlotte, Oct. 17.—Speculation as to the probable pastor of the First Methodist church for the next year is the principla topic of interest to Charlotte Methodism as the time for the western North Carolina conference at Asheville nears.

The church building is nearing completion and just before conference meets Bishop Mouzon is expected to formally complete the official union of Tryon Street and Trinity Methodist churches into the First Methodist church. The church building of the First church is located on North Tryon street and will cost, including equipment, approximately $1,000,000. It will be by far the largest and finest church structure in North Carolina and many believe that it will not be rivalled in the entire south.

This pastorate, of course, will be the choice assignment for Methodist ministers in North Carolina and naturally there has been considerable speculation as to whom Bishop Mouzon will send here as first pastor.

Two names stand out in the list of those mentioned, both not now in either the Western North Carolina or the North Carolina conference. They are Dr. P. R. Knickerbocker, pastor of the leading Methodist church in Knoxville, Tenn., and Rev. John William Smith, pastor of Green Memorial church at Roanoke, Va. Mr. Smith was transferred to the western North Carolina conference at the recent Baltimore conference and some profess to see in this an indication that he has been chosen for the Charlotte charge. However, others believe that he will be transferred again to the Holstein conference to take Dr. Knickerbocker's church in Knoxville and that the present Knoxville minister will come here.

In the meantime Bishop Mouzon, the final authority on these questions, remains silent.

Rev. A. L. Stamford is pastor of Tryon Street church and Dr. A. D. Wilcox is pastor of Trinity church, the two churces involved in the merger.

There is talk here that Mr. Stanford will go to Broad Street Methodist church at Statesville and that Dr. E. K. McLarty, now pastor there, will be sent to Chapel Hill in the North Carolina conference. The name of Mr. Stanford also is connected directly with the Chapel Hill appointment. Mr. Wilcox, according to the talk here, will go to Gastonia, to take the pastorate left by Dr. Prettyman, who recently was transferred back to the Baltimore conference.

It is recalled here that Dr. Ashley C. Chappell is completing his fifth year at Central church, Asheville, and there is some discussion as to whether he will be returned. Next to the First church here this is said to be the best appointment in the western conference.

**Half of Spencer Shopmen Laid Off.**

Spencer, Oct. 15.—In keeping with what seems to be an established policy of the Southern railway for economy and retrenchment, something like half of the employes of the Spencer shops have laid off for two weeks. The order, according to a bulletin posted in the shops, becomes effective Monday at 7 a. m. An emergency force of several hundred men is, of course, kept in the service and the lay-off does not apply to men in the transportation department.

The payroll handed out to the employes today is said to have been a large one, running to something like a quarter of a million dollars for the two weeks past.

**Diphtheria Shows Drop in New Cases**

Raleigh, Oct. 15.—Contagious diseases this week were quite dormant, the state board of health reported today in announcing the total of new cases developing in the state through Friday.

Diphteria, a disease that has been cutting a wide swath through the state during the past six weeks, showed a decided let down, only 149 cases developing this week as compared with 184 last week.

Total for other diseases this week follow:

Whooping cough, 135; measles, 113; scarlet fever, 116; smallpox, 14; typhoid fever, 22.

## FRENCH AIRMEN ARE IN BRAZIL ON LONG FLIGHT FROM PARIS

**Reach Rio Janeiro and France Rejoices at Their Victory—Junkers Plane Getting Ready to Go.**

### CAPT. GILES IS IN ACCIDENT

**Plane Crashed in Nevada But He Was Not Seriously Injured.—Miss Elder's Daring Noted.**

(By the Associated Press)

Ruth Eelder and George Haldeman, co-pilots of the lost "American Girl," were lauded at Horta in the Azores when it became known that Miss Elder and he took turns crawling along the sleet-covered fuselage of their plane to jettison gasoline store in the tail, in order to keep the plane balanced.

The Junkers hydro airplane D-1230 in which the Viennese acrtess, Lilli Dillenz and three German birdmen are attempting a flight westward over the Atlantic to America was being groomed for a continuation of the projected flight while Mlle. Dinna was feted with Miss Elder at Horta. The aviators in charge said the D-1230 would hop off when ready.

Dludonne Costes in his plane, the "Nungesser-Coli," arrived at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, shortly before noon today from Caravellas, where he stopped last night while en route from Port Natal on a Paris-Rio Janeiro flight.

The biplane Wanda, piloted by Captain Frederick A. Giles, British airman, crashed at Elko, Nevada, today shortly after resuming its flight from Detroit to New Zealand. Giles was only slightly injured.

Four British air force flying boats which started from Plymouth, England, today on a 25,000 miles empire cruise, landed at the marine aviation base at Hourtin, near Bordeaux, France, at 2 p. m., today.

The planes which accomplished a flight of about 425 miles, expect to leave Hourtin tomorrow.

**Mrs. Grayson Forced Down.**

Old Orchard, Me., Oct. 17.—(AP)—Less than a quarter hour after the Dawn took off hopefully for Europe today it was back on the stand as the result of improper balance when she was in the air.

The plane was nose-heavy and Pilot Wilmer Stultz said that it was impossible to keep her up. His navigator, Bryce Goldsborough, pulled the wire which dumped 260 gallons of gasoline, almost a third of the load, into the air where it sprayed back in a great white cloud.

The first words of Mrs. Frances W. Grayson as she stepped from the plane were to Captain Harry M. Jones. "We must have 260 gallons of gasoline at once. We will shift fifty gallons aft to give her a better balance, and try it again."

They still had almost two hours before the tide would block the attempt.

Faced by the fact that all the needed gasoline was not available and that much time was needed to load it, it was decided after a conference that the flight must be postponed from this tide. Since the next low tide tonight will be after dark, tomorrow morning will be the first opportunity for another attempt. The plane was returned to its position high on the beach.

The Sikorsky amphibian had risen easily from the beach after a run of less than a mile. Scarcely had the nose been pointed toward its European goal, however, when it was seen that she was rapidly losing the altitude gained.

The plane was barely twenty feet above the water when the gasoline was dumped. It took less than a minute to ease the plane of the contents of the two tanks which streamline the motors just below the upper wing.

### THE STOCK MARKET.

**Prices Opened Irregularily Higher, Some Stock Going to New High.**

New York, Oct. 17.—Prices opened irregularly, higher in today's stock market. Cushman's Sons and Beechnut Packing began the day at new highs, and initial gains of a point or more were registered by Atlantic Coast Line, Chicago Great Western preferred, and Nash Motors. DuPont opened off nearly three points, and Norfolk and Western and Phillips Petroleum were lower at the outset.

**Ban Johnson Out.**

Chicago, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The resignation of Bryon Bancroft Johnson, founder and President of the American League for 27 years, was accepted today by the League's board of directors.

Frank Navin, vice president of the League, and head of the Detroit club, said he would take charge of the league's affairs until a meeting could be called and Johnson's sucsessor elected.

**Falling Barometer at Miami.**

Miami, Fla., Oct. 17.—(AP)—After rising slowly in the early morning, the barometer here in the hour after 10:30 a. m. lost all of its early gains, and three points more.

The reading at 11.30 a. m. was 29.69. At 10:30 it was 29.77. At 8 o'clock it stood at 29.72, seven points under last night's reading.

### WEATHER

Cloudy, preceded by rain this afternoon and tonight in east portion; Tuesday partly cloudy. Not much change in temperature.