

## FOUR KILLED WHEN EXPLOSION OCCURS ON U. S. DESTROYER

Four of the Men Were Killed and Four Others Injured in Explosion in the Engine Room of Ship.

## CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT KNOWN

In Some Way Cover to Ventilator Was Closed and the Blower Governor Did Not Operate Right.

(By the Associated Press.)  
Newport, R. I., June 30.—The destroyer Williamson, after an explosion in her engine room while at sea, this morning returned here with four dead and four injured. The destroyer took a position off the Navy Hospital in order that the injured and bodies might be brought ashore.

The dead: Doc Abernethy, millman, fireman third class, Fairfield, Ala.  
Harry Chaplin Lincoln, fireman third class, New Bern, N. C.

Clifford Latchford, fireman third class, Lebanon, Ohio.  
Joseph Alex. Gianguino, water tender, second class, Fairfield, N. Y.

The injured:  
The injured: S. K. Shidlu, nu' nu nu Lewis Randolph, Blanchard, fireman, first class.

Harry Amundson, water tender.  
Haskell Bowerfield, fireman, first class.

Tony Roche, fireman, first class.  
Navy officials said the accident was caused by the unexplained closing of the cover to a ventilator and failure of the blower governor to operate properly causing the boiler to explode. This tore up the water feed line and the steam line and the men were caught in a mass of steam and hot water in the fire room.

## WILL MAKE CHANGES IN TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Reorganization Will Be Effective at Midnight.—Assistant Secretary to Re-sign.

Washington, June 30 (By the Associated Press).—A reorganization within the Treasury Department with the shifting of several of the more important bureaus is provided for in regulations issued today, and effective at midnight tonight.

Simultaneously with the issuing of the regulations it became known that Assistant Secretary Edward Clifford, whose jurisdiction within the department will be materially changed under the reorganization, is to resign.

## TRY TO WRECK TRAIN CARRYING TROOPS

Troops Were to Be Used in Guarding Steel Plants Where Workers Are on Strike.

Sydney, N. S., June 30 (By the Associated Press).—An attempt to wreck a railway train which early today brought troops from Halifax to prevent recurrence of last night's rioting among striking employees of the British Empire Steel Corporation was discovered one-half hour before the train arrived with 250 soldiers.

## Tourists Desert Waterloo For World War Battlefield.

Paris, June 30.—Waterloo now has to be listed among the Belgian industries killed by the Great War.

Before 1914 the famous scene of Napoleon's defeat was a commercial institution supporting a number of hotels and a colony of exploiters. It was perhaps the most visited battlefield in Europe.

Today it is a deserted village. Neuport, Dixmude, Ypres and Yser are covered with the mantle of glory and romance which formerly enshrouded Waterloo. Foreign tourists and Belgian citizens alike visit the new fields of honor and neglect the old one.

One by one since the armistice the hotels at Waterloo have been forced to close their doors and now even guides and souvenir vendors have moved to the new fields. The desertion of the parasites is evidence of the end to come.

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## Death of Child.

Mary Catherine Smith, 14 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney E. Smith, of No. 8 township, near St. John's, died this morning at 9 o'clock, after an illness of a few days with pneumonia. The funeral will be held at St. John's Church tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and burial will take place in the cemetery at St. John's.

## Salisbury Youth on Long Auto Trip.

Salisbury, N. C., June 30.—Cleora E. McAllister, Salisbury youth, who left this city last Wednesday in an automobile made by himself, has arrived in Saranac Lake, N. Y., according to information received by his friends here.

## SLAM ON BRAKES AT RAIL CROSSING

Beginning Midnight Tonight All Autos Must Stop Before Crossing.

Beginning tonight at midnight, with the ushering in of July 1, 1923, the state law requiring all automobiles to stop before crossing a grade at a railroad or interurban railway goes into effect and on and after that date it will be unlawful to operate an automobile of any sort, truck, pleasure car or other kind over a grade crossing without first stopping within fifty feet, of said railway track to ascertain if a train or electric car is approaching. This law applies to all grade crossings where a gate system is not maintained or a watchman kept on duty, but is not to conflict in any way with any municipal ordinances.

The putting into operation of this law puts the burden on the automobile driver, because if he or she complies with the act it will hardly be possible to meet with any accident, at such crossing.

## INSULIN SAVES LIFE OF ROBERT LANSING

Former Secretary of State Was Very Ill From Diabetes.

Washington, D. C., June 30.—Robert Lansing, former Secretary of State, has been seriously ill from diabetes, but is said by his physicians to have shown great improvement under the administration of insulin, the new remedy recently developed in Canada.

Unknown to any but his most intimate friends, Mr. Lansing has suffered from diabetes for several years and has confined himself to a severe antidiabetic diet which resulted in a state of great physical debility.

Six weeks ago he entered a hospital and under the care of Dr. Sterling Ruffin, of Washington, was given the insulin treatment. He responded at once, it is said, and after he left the hospital continued the treatment at his residence here.

Not only has he gained greatly in flesh and in strength, but his dietary restrictions have been completely removed so that now he is permitted to eat as much as he desires of all varieties of food. When he left yesterday for his summer home at Watertown, N. Y., he was said to have appeared to be well on the road to complete recovery.

## FAMILY COW DEVELOPS CASE OF HYDROPHOBIA

Uneasy Feeling Among Neighbors in Buford Township That Other Bovines May Be Affected.

Mourne, June 29.—Two whole families in Buford township are taking the Pasteur treatment against hydrophobia since a milk cow from which the families were drinking has developed hydrophobia and had to be killed. The cow belonged to Rev. K. W. Hogan, who together with his wife and six children are victims of the unfortunate circumstances. The family of Vance Plyler was supplied from the same cow and their lives are also endangered.

A few days ago the cow's head was sent to Raleigh and a genuine case of rabies was reported from the examination.

There is also an uneasy feeling among neighbors of Rev. Mr. Hogan because of the fact that four other families kept cows in the same pasture that Rev. Mr. Hogan's cow was in when the milk dog visited that community. The other cows have been inoculated against the disease and the milk diet has been discontinued by the families involved.

## THE COTTON MARKET

There Was Further Covering Up of Accounts for Over the Week End in the Market Today.

(By the Associated Press.)  
New York, June 30.—There was further covering up of accounts for over the week-end in preparation for Monday's official crop report during today's early trading in the cotton market. Light liquidation was promoted by the favorable showing of the early weather news and early irregularity of the stock market, and after opening steady at a decline of 5 to 20 points, active months sold some 20 to 25 points net lower.

Cotton futures opened steady; July 27.20; October 24.63; December 24.80; January 23.70; March 23.65.

Cotton futures, closed steady; July 27.07; October 24.60; December 24.05; January 23.68; March 23.65.

## PRESIDENT AND PARTY AT YELLOWSTONE PARK

Will Spend Several Days in the Park Before Going on to Pacific Coast.

Gardiner, Montana, June 30 (By the Associated Press).—Arriving at Gardiner about 7 o'clock this morning, President and Mrs. Harding and their party immediately went into Yellowstone National Park for a few days' visit. The party went into the park at the northern entrance and had breakfast inside the playground.

## Climbers Will Try Again to Scale the World's Highest Peak.

(By the Associated Press.)  
London, June 30.—Although last year's attempt to reach the summit of Mount Everest failed, the Royal Geographical Society intends to reach the summit next year, the Earl of Ronaldshay said in his presidential address before the society here recently.

He said that the experience gained by the expedition last year, and notably the fact established by the climbers that a camp at an altitude of 25,000 feet was a possibility, gave ground for hope that next year's attempt would be successful.

## Little Boy Killed By An Automobile.

Charlotte, June 27.—Ira Hucks, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hucks, on the Providence road near here was instantly killed yesterday when hit by an automobile driven by J. M. Armstrong. The boy ran out from behind a water trough near the road where he was playing with his companions and was struck by the car, his head being crushed. The coroner, after an investigation, attached no blame to the driver of the car for the accident.

## MANILA, IN GRIP OF TYPHOON, IS PARTLY UNDER WATER TODAY

Typhoon Began Raging Friday Night.—Many Streets in the City are Now Under Water.

## CANOES USED IN STREETS OF CITY

Rainfall in 24 Hours Was 92 Millimetres.—Residence of the Governor-General is Flooded.

Manila, June 30 (By the Associated Press).—Manila, gripped by a typhoon which began raging last night, was flooded today. Many streets were under the water.

At the same time this dispatch was filed the water was knee deep in many thoroughfares, and there was a foot and a half of water in Manila Palace, the residence of the Governor-General. The rainfall in 24 hours was 92 millimetres. Canoes were being used for transportation through the streets.

Governor-General Leonard Wood, who has been visiting the provinces, was expected back today, but was held up by the terrific storm.

## MELLON SAYS CHANGE NOT PROBABLE NOW

Recent Liquor Ruling Will Be Enforced.—Congress May Act on It.

London, June 30 (By the Associated Press).—Andrew W. Mellon, American Secretary of the Treasury, who arrived in England last evening on the Majestic, told newspaper men here today that the United States government had no intention of relaxing its attitude regarding the confiscation of liquor on board incoming liners. He saw no solution of the problem until Congress met, he added.

Secretary Mellon reiterated his statement that the United States government had never contemplated seizing foreign liquor carrying ships, or detaining their captains.

Mr. Mellon said he expected to see British government officials, but informally, rather than officially. He added he had no intention of discussing the debt problem or reparations and that he did not expect to visit the Ruhr.

Secretary Mellon denied reports that large quantities of liquor had appeared on the Majestic as soon as the three-mile limit was passed. He said the only liquid refreshment he saw was imitation beer and champagne, adding that the steward told him no real liquor was being served.

## Congress May Decide Question.

Washington, June 30.—Unless Great Britain and other maritime powers indicate a willingness to enter into negotiations with the United States looking toward adjustment of the ship liquor problem, in solution, in the opinion of administration officials, probably will be left to Congress.

Although the suggestion of the American government for a prohibition treaty apparently is doomed to failure, hope is held out in some quarters that Great Britain may then advance a counter proposal which may serve to keep the proposition from going completely into the discard.

It is also regarded as possible that a general conference for discussion of the prohibition question in its international aspects may be suggested.

Despite these possibilities—and officials here admit they fear nothing more—the belief is general that foreign shipping lines must look to Congress for relief. No one will venture an official opinion as to whether Congress would be inclined to amend the prohibition law to enable foreign vessels to bring liquor stocks into American ports under seal, or whether the administration would recommend revision of the law.

For the immediate future it was reiterated today the administration is determined to rigidly enforce the law as applied to foreign shipping, and although it is not believed such a step will be necessary, it is prepared to carry into effect provisions for seizure of the craft carrying contraband liquor in American waters.

## CUSTOMS INSPECTOR AT WILMINGTON DEAD

Ira F. Weider Died Suddenly Shortly After Reaching Hospital.

(By the Associated Press.)  
Wilmington, N. C., June 30.—Ira F. Weider, deputy collector and inspector of customs and immigration officer here, died suddenly this morning at a local hospital.

The immigration officer arose this morning shortly before 6 o'clock and when his family rose a few minutes later he was found on the kitchen floor in an unconscious condition.

## Nine Sailors Hurt.

(By the Associated Press.)  
Philadelphia, June 30.—Nine sailors were injured this afternoon in an explosion on the scout cruiser Richmond, at the Philadelphia navy yards. The men were taken to the navy yard hospital. All were said to be badly burned.

## Wireless Stations Out of Order.

(By the Associated Press.)  
San Francisco, June 30.—All the naval wireless control stations near Manila were put out of commission by the typhoon which struck the Philippine capital today, according to a statement made at the 12th Naval District headquarters.

Eight dollars a day in the wage paid had carriers in Jersey City under the new scale just adopted.

## NEW RUMOR THAT DAVID H. BLAIR IS TO QUIT HIS POST

But Commissioner Sits Tight and Says There is Nothing to Report.

Washington, June 29.—The rumor makers just won't let David H. Blair, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, alone. As soon as he knocks out one report that he is going to resign his position, another rumor is spreading and getting ready to bloom. The latest of the crop has now arrived and the assertion that Blair has written out his resignation, and that it is only because Secretary of the Treasury Mellon is urging that the resignation be not accepted that President Harding is holding it up for action until after his return from Alaska. There is some vague talk that friction with Prohibition Commissioner Roy A. Haynes has something to do with the matter, but Blair has discounted and while all of this may be true, those who have heretofore placed some belief in the reports that Mr. Blair would resign are now "from Missouri."

In the present case the rumor brigade is both picking out possible successors to Commissioner Blair and fixing another government job for him. Mr. Blair, says the rumor, is to be appointed a member of the Trade Commission, that Victor Murdock, now a member, is at an early date to quit the commission because of ill health. Picked by rumor to succeed Mr. Blair as Commissioner of Internal Revenue is one of two men, both mentioned for the position. They are Charles R. Nash, recently promoted from the position of deputy commissioner to that of assistant to the Commissioner, and F. G. Matson, a deputy commissioner Blair sits tight and calmly says there is nothing to it, that he has not resigned and has no present plans to do so.

## CHICAGOANS SHIVER AS MERCURY DESCENDS TUBE

Closed Street Cars Replace Motorbuses in Advections.

Chicago, June 28.—Passenger trains arriving in Chicago from the Northwest had steam on 15 of the coaches, the first time this has been necessary in June in the remembrance of railroad men. The temperature, which two days ago hit 96, had dropped to 54 at 8 o'clock this morning and Palm Beach clothes gave way to overcoats and wraps. Two days ago people were fighting for perches on top of the motorbuses, but today they shivered in the closed street cars.

Storms in the Northwest are said to be responsible for the unseasonably cold weather. Unprecedented hail storms were reported from various Western and Northwestern points. Official forecasters say the temperature will slowly climb back to normal, but it will not reach the high point of two days ago.

## Another Suit Filed Against Mr. Norwood.

Greensboro, June 29.—J. D. Norwood, of Salisbury, much in the public eye of late figures in a suit filed here in Guilford Superior Court Thursday, in the role of defendants, with the Douglas Land and Improvement Company, of Michigan, suing him for \$3,750 with interest from June 29, 1920.

It is alleged that the complaint of the plaintiff that Norwood executed a promissory note and delivered to the land mentioned, and has since not only not paid it, or any part of it, "although often requested to do so," but has refused and still refuses to pay. Judgment is asked for the total amount with interest.

Norwood is president of the Mecklenburg Mills Company, recently become bankrupt, and chairman of the board of directors of the Peoples National Bank of Salisbury, lately closed. The bank being forced to shut its doors because of paper from the Mecklenburg Mills Company it holds.

## To Seize Greek Vessels.

London, June 30 (By the Associated Press).—The Turkish authorities have notified the allies that all Greek vessels coming into Constantinople will be seized, said the Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Constantinople today.

## Oil Well Burning.

Beaumont, Texas, June 30.—Chesson Well No. 10 in the Orange Field, in which a heavy gas flow has been burning, is reported to have ignited adjoining wells threatening a large part of the field.

## BELGIAN SOLDIERS KILLED WHEN BOMB ON TRAIN EXPLODES

Men Were Going Back to Their Homes for Leave After Doing Service in Ruhr Occupied Section.

## THIRTY OTHERS BADLY INJURED

Time Bomb Placed on Train Did Work.—May Inflict Penalties on Germans for the Outrage.

Dusseldorf, June 30 (By the Associated Press).—Nine Belgian soldiers were killed today by the explosion of a time bomb in a passenger train carrying Belgian soldiers on leave back to Belgium from the Ruhr.

Between twenty-five and thirty soldiers were wounded. The explosion is regarded in military circles here as the German reply to the stiffening of the occupation regulations in the Belgian zone since the killing of two Belgian soldiers at Marl several days ago, and is thought to have been carried out by the same organization that arranged the explosion that killed two Germans in the waiting room of the Wiesbaden station this week.

It was announced that penalties will be applied by the authorities of occupation for the outrage.

## PLANS MADE TO FINANCE MECKLENBURG MILLS CO.

Money to Put Plant in Operation Has Been Definitely Found.

Greensboro, June 29.—Information was received here this afternoon by the law firm of Bynum & Alderman, attorneys for some of the creditors of the bankrupt Mecklenburg Mills Company, that receivers were agreed upon and plans made for financing operations of the four mills of the company at a meeting of creditors at Salisbury yesterday. The information came from an attorney of the creditors there. The names of receivers agreed upon were not given.

Names of the men agreed upon will be presented to Judge James E. Boyd in Federal District Court here early next week, it was said, for official confirmation.

The plans for financing operations of the plants under a receivership call for issuance of receivers' certificates of \$125,000, sufficient, it is understood, to get the mills, the Mecklenburg, at Charlotte, Clyde and Newton, at Newton, and Nancy, at Tuckertown, in operation. Plans heretofore have been hard to make because of the inability to get money for operation expenses.

Bondholders were represented at the meeting and approved the names of those suggested as receivers, it is said, as well as course of action decided upon. One difficulty has been the impossibility of financing operation of the mills upon receivers' certificates secondary or subordinate to outstanding bonded indebtedness of the mills.

At the meeting arrangement were perfected to raise the requisite amount, and attorneys expect to secure an order from Judge Boyd officially putting the plans into operation.

The committee that formulated the plan was made up of Stahl Linn, attorney, at Salisbury; T. J. Finch, Thomasville; C. F. Rizer, Olin, S. C. They have been working on plans since last Saturday.

The president of the Mecklenburg Mills Company is J. D. Norwood, of Salisbury, who is also chairman of the board of directors of the Peoples National Bank, of Salisbury, recently closed.

## Bubonic Plague Raging in India.

Simla, India, June 30.—Bubonic plague is raging throughout British India as it has not raged for five years. The disease threatens to become epidemic, and already has been the cause of panic in several of the larger cities.

The rise in this plague year began in December. During the month of March 36,000 deaths were recorded, against an average for the previous four years for the same month of 14,423.

The government authorities ascribe the plague to rats getting into the grain, and advise the people to build rat-proof grain warehouses and to destroy the rodents.

## BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

Southern Baptists to Have Important Place on the Program.

(By the Associated Press.)  
Nashville, Tenn., June 29.—Representatives of the Southern Baptist convention, the largest group of white Baptists in the world, will have a prominent place on the program of the Baptist World Alliance, which is to convene at Stockholm, Sweden, July 21, it is announced by Baptist headquarters here.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, Louisville, president of the Southern Baptist convention, will present the report of the committee on the Baptist message to the world which probably will be the most important deliverance of the Alliance, and also the report of the committee on religious liberty, which is an important issue in Europe now.

Dr. George W. Truett, Dallas, will respond to the welcome address from the free churches of Sweden on the opening day of the congress and also will deliver the official congress sermon. Rob. H. Coleman, Dallas, will be the official song leader of the body.

Other southern Baptist holding places on the program are Dr. J. F. Love, Richmond, secretary of the foreign mission board; Dr. L. J. Van Ness, Nashville, secretary of the Sunday school board; Dr. L. R. Scarborough, Fort Worth, general director of the Seventy-Five Million Dollar campaign; Mrs. W. C. James, Birmingham, president of the Woman's Missionary Union; Dr. T. C. Skinner, Columbia, S. C., while Southern Baptist representatives in other lands who will participate in the congress include Dr. Everett Gill, Lausanne, Switzerland, European representative of the foreign mission board; Dr. D. G. Whittinghill, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary and Publishing House, Rome, and Rev. F. M. Edwards, missionary at Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Three of the four Negro Baptists of America who will appear on the program are from the south and include Dr. C. H. Parrish, Louisville, Ky., Dr. A. Arlison, Wilson, Dallas, and Dr. T. S. Sandefur, Camden, Ark.

## TOBACCO MEN FINISH ANNUAL CONVENTION

All Officers Were Re-elected for Next Year.—Fix Dates for Opening of the Markets.

(By the Associated Press.)  
Asheville, June 30.—Members of the Tobacco Association of the United States concluded their convention today following final business sessions last night when officers were elected for the ensuing year and auction tobacco sales in the bright tobacco markets of the South were authorized.

The committee on sales report was changed by the convention when it came to the adoption of the final sales starting sales in the market were fixed as follows:

South Carolina and markets on line between that state and North Carolina, August 1; Georgia, August 2; Eastern North Carolina from Raleigh east, August 21; and old belt territory around Danville, Va., and Winston-Salem, N. C., September 25. The committee had fixed the dates for South Carolina and Georgia as July 24 and 25 respectively, and the convention changed it to August after considerable discussion.

All officers were re-elected for another term.

## SEA CAPTAIN REPORTS BIRTH OF AN ISLAND

Describes to Washington Part of Phenomenon He Witnessed.

Washington, D. C., June 30.—The birth of an island is described in a report received by the Hydrographer's office from Captain George B. Genevieve, master of the steamship Jacob, who declared he was an eye-witness to at least part of the phenomenon.

Recently while on his usual route from Singapore, the captain said, a violent disturbance was noted on the surface of the sea at latitude 10.07 north and longitude 100.00.30 east, where a mass "dark in color, with straight sides and about 100 feet in height and between two and three miles in length" had risen above the water.

"There were breakers along the entire length," the report said, "where the sea was washing away loose material, repeated explosions were noted, causing large waves. These continued at intervals of about one minute for more than an hour."

First report of the newest arrival came from Captain M. Tami, of the Japanese ship Malaca Maru, according to official records. The island has been officially named Tagawa, but on most charts is designated Newborn.

## Death of Miss Mollie White.

Miss Mollie White, well known and beloved woman of this county, died this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of her nieces, Misses Lou, May and Addie White, on Franklin Avenue. Miss White had been seriously ill since Thursday night and her death was not unexpected.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the home of Misses White. The services will be conducted by Rev. J. C. Rowan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and interment will be made in Oakwood cemetery.

Miss White moved to Concord several months ago from Huntersville, where she made her home for a number of years. She had been in declining health for some time and moved here to be with her nieces. She had a wide family connection in this county, and also in Mecklenburg county.

## Lack of Orders Causes Cotton Mill to Close.

Graham, June 28.—Oneida Mills closed down Monday for two weeks or possibly longer. Lack of orders and not any market for their product was the cause. They make denim, chevrons, etc. White Tavor, a mill which makes fleece goods, can't supply the demand and are putting in new looms, new dye house and other extensive improvements.

## DRINK TOAST TO MAN WHO DIED ON GERMAN U-BOAT DURING 1918

Son of Madam Ernestine Schumann-Heink Remembered by Disabled American Veterans of World War

## BOY MISTAKEN, MOTHER THINKS

But She Tells Veterans That He Did What He Thought Was Right When He Fought for Germans.

(By the Associated Press.)  
Minneapolis, June 30.—While his mother sat at the head of the table weeping, with her face buried in her hands, thirty men who bear lasting scars of their service for the allies in the World War, last night silently drank a toast to a man who went down on a German U-boat in 1918.

He was the son of Madam Ernestine Schumann-Heink in whose honor as "the most distinguished delegate" to the convention of the disabled American veterans of the World War a dinner was given.

"I have two things to ask of you," Madam Schumann-Heink said. "Will you promise me these two things?"

"First, that you will never believe any false stories you may hear about me, stories that I was a German spy, that I was untrue to this my country, and to you?"

"The second promise I ask of you is that when I am dead and it won't be many more years now, you will see to it that I am buried in America in my country. And, boys, maybe I could have in a way the burial of a soldier. Not any fuss