

### LITTLE MISS MEADOWS TO CHRISTEN JOE DOE

Senator Simmons' Granddaughter Will Sponsor New Ship at New Bern

(Special to The Star) WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Little Miss Sarah Meadows, granddaughter of Senator and Mrs. Simmons, will christen the Joe Doe, a ship to be launched at New Bern in the near future. This information was sent to Senator Simmons by F. E. Engstrom, president of the New Bern Shipbuilding company. Mrs. Meadows, mother of the sponsor, will name six matrons of honor. Senator Simmons made a fight for the \$100,000 good roads bill in the senate today. He tried to tack it onto an appropriation bill as a rider, but a point of order was made against it. Mr. Simmons appealed to New England to forget sectionalism and permit the passage of the bill, but this argument fell on deaf ears. Senator Moses, of New Hampshire, argued that the south was poor and did not pay much of the taxes of the nation. This Senator Simmons denied, pointing to the record of North Carolina. Senator Overman will make a fight tomorrow to amend the army bill, by providing that the trucks and other machinery that can be used in the construction, be turned over to the department of agriculture so that it can be distributed among the states. He has an amendment ready for that purpose.

### WILL STOP GRATUITIES FOR SHIPS SECURE BUSINESS FOR SHIPS

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 18.—Permanent organization of the American Ship Service corporation, which has for its purpose the abandonment of the custom of giving gratuities to shipping men to induce trade, was perfected here today at a meeting of its principal supporters.

John M. Meade, of New Orleans, was elected president; Harry H. Black, of Galveston, first vice-president; E. W. Cabbage, of Savannah, second vice-president, and J. E. Loring, of Washington, secretary-treasurer.

The board of directors is composed of John P. McDonough, of Galveston; George T. Cowles, of Mobile; A. McFadden, of Port Arthur, Texas; W. A. Ray, of Pensacola; A. G. Chappelle, of Jacksonville; Harry Reynier, of New York; J. C. Dean, of Charleston; M. A. Stewart, of Norfolk; H. Donaldson, of New Orleans, and G. C. Wilkinson, of Savannah.

### STARR, REFORMED ROBBER, KILLED ROBBERING A BANK

HARRISON, Okla., Feb. 18.—Henry Starr, Oklahoma bank robber, who was paroled two years ago by the governor of that state, was shot and seriously wounded tonight when he and two companions attempted to rob the state bank of Harrison.

While the bandits were taking available cash, W. J. Meyers, former president of the bank, entered and was forced to go into the vault. There he obtained a rifle, secreted for emergency and from the darkness fired at the robbers, bringing Starr down with a bullet below the heart. Starr's companions fled, and tonight are believed to be surrounded in a neighboring wood. They obtained no loot as all the cash had been stuffed into Starr's pockets.

### HIGH BASKETEERS WILL PLAY TWO TEAMS HERE

Divide One Full Game Against Two Strong Quints Tonight

The Wilmington high school basketball quint tonight will get a hard workout in preparation for its drive for the championship of eastern North Carolina high schools, which starts next Saturday night when the winner of the Fremont-Wilson game will be met, as a result of battling with two separate teams in one game. The first portion of tonight's fray at the Y. M. C. A. will be the varsity against the second string men; the second half will be against an aggregation known as the All Stars.

The local highs have splendid chances of winning the championship in the east and meeting the boys basketeers from the western part of the state at Chapel Hill for all state honors. The speed of the local aggregation was shown last Saturday night when the Raleigh quint, not a hopeless outfit, was held scoreless throughout the entire second half of a fast and exciting game. This was by far the worst trimming Raleigh has received this season, and it proves that New Hanover players are in splendid condition for the crucial games yet confronting them.

### METRO, CLEAN WRESTLER, MASTERS FRITZ HANSON

Charlie Metro, the Greek who blew out of New Hampshire a week ago, and who in five days dangled the scalps of Mike Nestor, Joe Turner and Kid Ellis to his belt, added another to his string at the Academy last night when he defeated Fritz Hanson in a straight fall. Metro annexed the first melee in an hour and 10 minutes with a full body hold and the second in 12 minutes with a jackknife. Last night's scrap was full of action. Hanson laid a shade on the science end, but Metro more than made up for it in speed, strength and endurance. His bridging was superb and his entire repertoire of defensive tactics far above the ordinary. In one respect, however, he failed to live up to his heralded reputation. He was not tough. No wrestler seen here this season has conducted himself more cleanly than Metro did last night. Hanson admitted his licking after the match, and Metro, not to be outdone, recalled a washing at the hands of Hanson several years ago. Metro will meet Turner or Ketone here next week.

### AGED RESIDENT OF CITY DEAD AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Richard M. Russ, aged 51 years, died at 6:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at 229 North Fourth street, following several days of illness. Although a native of Bladen county, Mr. Russ had resided in Wilmington for a number of years, having been an employe in the engineering department of the Atlantic Coast Line here. Mrs. H. M. McMullan, of this city, is a relative of the deceased. The remains will be taken to Acme, Bladen county, this afternoon and the funeral will be held at French Creek Baptist church, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The interment will be made in the family burying grounds.

## SPORTS

### VIRGINIA LEAGUE FOLK CONSIDER A SCHEDULE Meet in Wilson and Are Guests of Kiwanis Club

WILSON, Feb. 18.—The directors of the Virginia league met here last evening for the purpose of arranging the schedule for the coming season. The visitors were the guests of the Kiwanis club who entertained them royally at a "fine feed" at the Country club. The schedule presented for consideration contemplated 46 games at home, 73 abroad, with 10 Saturday games at home and 13 Saturday games abroad. According to the tentative schedule the season will open with Rocky Mount at Wilson April 21, with the second game in Rocky Mount, and the third in Wilson. The season closes September 24 with Wilson at Rocky Mount.

Those present were Wm. B. Bradley, of Richmond, president of the Virginia league, and the following directors: clubs of the league: H. U. Eble, of Richmond; Lewis D. Kidd, of Petersburg; E. H. Crutchfield, of Petersburg; J. L. Horn, J. A. Speight, M. T. Dawson, and Mr. Edwards and manager Fulenwider of Rocky Mount; Perry W. Ruth and C. M. Barry, of Norfolk; F. D. Lawrence, of Portsmouth; Wm. S. Beaman of Suffolk, Geo. S. Barnes, of Newport News, and the following from Wilson, C. B. Vest, J. C. Eagles, Edwin Warren, Ed Smith, E. H. Anderson and W. N. Harrill. The following newspaper men were present Mr. Natchem, of the Newport News Daily and T. A. Haynes of the Ledger Dispatch of Norfolk.

A prominent football player Mr. C. Barry, former captain of the Georgetown university football team, who umpires all the big football games of the country and was once a member of the All American football team is in the conference today.

### BILL BRENNAN WINNER OVER A. E. F. CHAMPION

Allen-Sweeney Bout Lasts Just 16 Seconds

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Bill Brennan, the Chicago heavyweight, defeated Bob Martin of West Virginia, who holds the A. E. F. championship in that class, in a 16 round bout at Madison Square garden tonight. Brennan won the fight by a knockout in the 16th round. The bout went the limit and the judges agreed on Brennan as the winner.

Probably the shortest bout ever fought in Madison Square garden was the opening heavyweight contest tonight which lasted 16 seconds. Whitey Allen of New York, sent a right smash to the jaw of Bob Sweeney of Boston, sending him down for the count almost as soon as they had squared off. Homer Smith of Kalamazoo, Mich., knocked out Wild Bill Reed of California, in the fourth round with a hard right to the eye. Smith weighed 188 pounds and Reed 182.

The third contest ended in the second round by the disqualification of Pinky Lewis, a California negro heavyweight, for holding his opponent, Kid Norfolk, who holds the rights belt as the negro light-heavyweight champion.

Brennan and Martin entered the ring shortly before 9:30 p. m. Brennan's weight was announced as 193½ pounds and Martin's at 184½.

### METRO THROWS "KID" ELLIS

(Special to The Star) GOLDSBORO, Feb. 18.—"Kid" Ellis, the Goldsboro champion wrestler, who has never before lost while wrestling here, met his Waterloo last night at the opera house when he went on the mat with Charlie Metropolitan, the New York man. Metropolitan threw Ellis twice in 45 minutes. If he had tried very hard, he could have thrown him in less time than that. Metro did not need the tactics that he used with Joe Turner in Charlotte Friday night. He handled the Kid very gently. Ellis is good in his class, but Metro is much heavier than he, and far out classes the wrestlers seen around here.

### CAROLINA BEATS DAVIDSON

(Special to The Star) CHAPEL HILL, Feb. 18.—Carolina defeated Davidson at basketball here tonight in a slow game, 37 to 20. The Tar Heels did not show their usual speed, but gained at 15 to 10 lead in the first half and had the same lead in the second half. Carmichael and Sheppard for Carolina, and Roberts and Sheppard for Davidson, played best.

### WARD WANTS MORE COIN

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 18.—Aaron Ward, third baseman for the New York Americans, has returned his contract to the management of the club, unsigned, he announced here today. Ward said he would be a hold-out until his salary demand is met.

### ELON COLLEGE WINS GAME

ELON COLLEGE, N. C. Feb. 18.—Elon college basketball team tonight defeated Guilford college 23 to 14.

### NEGRO SLICKER GOES TO JAIL

WHEN VICTIM CATCHES HIM That negro "city slicker" who has been working on members of his race by the use of a confidence game that would have been a world beater in the rainy gold brick days, has finally landed in limbo, according to information received by local police. The negro was arrested in Goldsboro early this week after one of his victims had recognized him and put the minions of the law on his trail.

With such variation as the circumstances demanded, the scheme worked by the slicker was practically the same in all cities. He would find a purse, but the sum contained therein was not of the proper size to divide equally with the "fortunate" negro who happened to be a party to the finding. This bystander would be asked to ante up a sum, generally about all he had, which would be added to the "found" purse, whereupon the finder would take around the corner to get a careful counting white man to divide it two ways. The counter was never found, leastwise none of the bystanding negroes ever had the finder of the purse to pay a return engagement. The confidence game, according to the police, was worked here some few weeks ago and the fortunate person who was to share in the find was minus a bicycle and over \$200 in very quick order.

### SMALL FIRE LAST NIGHT

An alarm of fire, sounded from box 35, last night at 8:50 called the department to the home of Mrs. Vernon, 512 South Sixth street. Fire had caught in the ceiling of the kitchen of the home, a one story frame structure, but it was extinguished with only trivial damage resulting.

## FARMERS' UNION CALLS JUDGE CALVERT FIXES CONVENTION APRIL 20 SENTENCE AT 4 YEARS

President Barrett Summons H. B. Futrelle, Alleged Mob Leader At Goldsboro, Appeals to Higher Court

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—A call for mass meeting here April 20, was issued today to members of the National Farmers' union by its president, Charles S. Barrett, who declared he was prompted by the "perilous condition of agriculture." "This is a time," the call said, "when farmers, like other interests, should in the most forceful manner compatible with the respect we always should have for authority, impose upon the government the need of legislative measures in behalf of the noble calling of agriculture."

"A new administration is about to assume command in Washington," it continued. "It takes control in a time of great national stress, when deflation, largely artificial, has accomplished the temporary ruin of thousands of our farmers and permanent ruin of thousands of others."

"Interests seeking to control the food, the clothing, the transportation system and the distribution of the nation's commodities were declared to be 'well entrenched' in Washington and Mr. Barrett asserted that the farmers 'would be able to impress upon the government that we are a real power, with real interests to protect.' "It is evident that the packers will not help us," the call continued, "there is no chance that the fuel men will give us aid and comfort, and no support can be obtained from the chamber of commerce of the United States."

### BILL GIVING BEACH TOWN THIRD ALDERMAN IS UP

Representative Emmett H. Bellamy, of New Hanover county, yesterday introduced into the general assembly a bill changing the ordinances of the town of Wrightsville Beach so that the aldermen of that municipality may be increased from two to three. This step was taken in order that the northern extension of the beach might have a representative on the board. The bill provided that John R. Hanly, a summer resident of the northern extension, should be named the third alderman in a basketball game until the next regular election is held.

WILSON, N. C., Feb. 18.—H. B. Futrelle, found guilty in Wilson county superior court Wednesday of leading a mob which stormed the Wayne county courthouse at Goldsboro on the night of December 3, in an effort to get possession of three negroes charged with the murder of Herman Jones, a grocer, this afternoon was sentenced by Judge Calvert to serve four years in the state prison. Futrelle appeared to the supreme court and his bond fixed at \$4,000.

Four other alleged members of the mob had their cases continued until the next term of Wilson county criminal court.

Numbers of Wayne county's representative citizens appeared in court this afternoon before Judge Calvert at the request of W. W. Pierce, attorney for Futrelle, and more than a dozen men who knew the defendant well, testified to his former good character, that he is a splendid fellow and good neighbor with a kind heart when sober, but when under the influence of whiskey his whole nature is changed. All admitted that he should be punished for the great offense. Some were of the opinion that to repay the damage to the Goldsboro courthouse, a fine would be sufficient, etc.

Attorney Pierce worked untiringly to save his client and in winding up his remarks started to utter words that might tend to stir racial feeling, but Judge Calvert was quick to request that he desist, and Mr. Pierce thanked his honor for calling him down.

In view of the fact that the jury prayed that mercy might be extended the defendant, he sentenced him to the penitentiary for a term of four years.


One of the exceptions noted by attorney for defense was that one of the jurors slept while the trial was in progress. The juror referred to was one of the two who at first voted "not guilty."

CLEVSON WINS AGAIN CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 18.—Clamson college defeated the College of Charleston in a basketball game here tonight by a score of 50 to 12.

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