A CAROLINA HOME NEWSPAPER, CONSTRUCTIVE, CLEAN, RELIABLE-"WHEN YOU SEE IT IN THE OBSERVER, IT'S SO."

IF THE GERMANS REFUSE TO SIGN-MARSHAL FOCH IS ON THE

Barring of Voluntary Camp Pastors Not Forgotten.

Dr. Gambrell Re-Elected President - Attendance Promises to Break All Records.

Atlanta, Ga., May 14.—The sixtyfourth annual session of the Southern Baptist convention was organized here today with what promises to be the largest attendance in its history. More than 2,500 delegates were registered before the convention opened and, with those who came in today and the hundreds of visitors present, it was expected the total attendance would go well toward four thousand.

The first day was spent in organization, reports of committees and an outline by Rev. J. B. Gambrell, of Fort Worth, president of the convention, of a fight the Baptists intend to wage against the attitude of the war department toward denominational religious work which Dr. Gambrell term ed, an effort to "break down denominations." Tonight the convention sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. M. E. Dodd, of Shreveport, La.

All committee reports showed a steady increase in the amount of religious work carried on during the year. Total contributions from southern Baptists in the past 12 months were more than \$17,000,000, and of this the foreign mission board took in \$1,228.190, a gain of \$370,276 over last year, and the home mission board in current receipts showed \$859,906, a 45 per cent increase.

Women's Work Grows

The report of the Woman's Missionmissionary movement, auxillaries to state's two star witnesses, by counsel the convention, both showed healthy for the defense. increase in work done. There nov are 15,014 organizations in the wo There now man's auxiliary, which will formally open its sessions tomorrow.

Since shortly after the United States got into the war there have been references to objections by Baptists to the war department's order barring volunteer camp pasters from military Dr. Gambrell in his annual address today said that while the war was on the attitude of the convention had been to speak "very guardedly on matters affecting the war," in order not to hinder the work of redeeming the world from "a scien

"The war is now over," he continued. "and some things ought to be said in the spirit of Christian frank-ness for the good of the country and in the interests of Christianity itself.

Protests of delegations from the Southern Baptist convention and the Northern Baptist convention against the order barring volunteer camp pasors from military establishments, and

ngainst the various evangelical de-nominations establishing separate churches in camps and in munition centers brought no result, he said.

Gambrell has no Opposition. Dr. Gambrell was re-elected presi-

dent without epposition. The president's address featured the itial gathering of the Baptists,

which for the first time in the history of the church admitted women as delegates on an equality with male members of the church. More than members of the church. 2.500 members and visitors were in At the afternoon session digests of

the reports of the convention board will be presented. The annual convention of the women's Baptist missionary union, which meets jointly with the southern convention will open

Dr. Gambrell in his address recited the history of the fight made by the Protestant denominations against the action of the war department in barring volunteer camp pastors from the military establishments, and declared "the religious war work policy of the government was framed in a spirit of utter disregard for the in a spirit of the distance of a vast ma-jority of the civilian population of the country and the rights of a great majority of the soldiers in the ar-

The speaker condemned the attitude of the war department in turning over to the Y. M. C. A. the religious work for the various Protestant denominations. He pointed out that steps must be taken to correct what he terms a serious drift in government circles." A warning was sounded to Baptists of the south by Dr. Gambrell against perversions of doctrine. He declared

forts are being made to work radical hanges in denominational beliefs under the gume of "liberal thinking."
Other convention officers named inluded: Dr. H. C. Moore, Nashville, and J. Henry Burnett, Macon, secre-

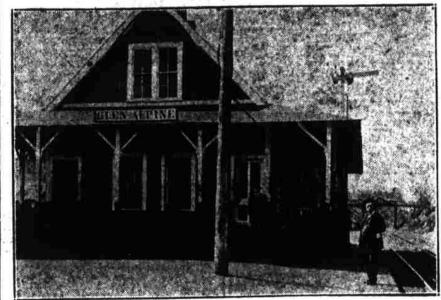
taries: George W. Norton, Kentucky, re-elected treasurer, and W. P. Harvey, Harrisbury, Ky., auditor.

Figures From Year's Record.

more than the previous year. Of the contributions, the report shows, \$12,-941,828 west for home purposes, \$2,-661,022 for state, home and foreign missions, and \$2.250,083 for other be-

Value of property held by Baptist (Continued on Page five.)

Where Dr. Hennessee Was Shot To Death As He Stepped From Train



This is a photographic view of the Sauthern railway passenger station at Glen Alpine, Barke county. The man near the track is standing where Dr. E. A. Hennessee was shot 10 times as he alighted from a train returning home. Charged with the crime, Aaron Wiseman is now on trial at Shelby, Cleveland

Meet in 1920.

Jesse Oldham Given High Office

by Royal Arch Chapter

at Greensboro.

BY W. B. STUART.

Election of officers was the next or-

der of business, with the following re-

sult: John H. Anderson, grand high

priest. Fayetteville; deputy grand

high priest. John J. Phoenix,, recently

cipal sojourner. Enfield; E. R. Hamp-

the third veil, Salisbury; John S. Mc-Eachern, grand master of the second

newly elected officers were in

stalled by General High Priest of the

the largest membership of any Ma-

Carolina in 1921. This body meets triennially and the leaders among the

chapters of North Carolina seem to

think that Asheville will be the next

convocation of that order, while, Charlotte, Raleigh and Wilmington

The Charlotte Masons, as well as

many throughout the state, will be

pleased to know that J. M. Oldham, of Charlotte, was elected to the third highest office within the North Caro-

Usually, the chapter promotes Its

officers from year to year and while

in line for the grand high priest of the grand chapter, still. In view of the

being doubtful, it was thought best to

Three thousand dollars was voted

will bring thousands of high Masons

to North Carolina from all over the

North Carolina adjourned its 71st an-

Greensboro as a convention city and for thanks to the local Masons. A

resolution was unanimously passed, which brought the chapter to a most

successful conclusion, after which an

auto ride around the city, was enjoyed

nix, Greensboro, now in France deputy illustrious grand master; J. H

The 43rd annual assembly of the

the Eastern Star home at 6 o'clock.

have all been considered.

sonic organization in the world.

timony of Star Witness.

Several Witnesses Say Two Participated in Shooting Which Killed Dr. Hennessee.

BY LEE B. WEATHERS.

Shelby, May 14.-The second day of the trial of Aaron Wiseman, charged with the murder of Dr. E. A. Hennessee, at the little Gien Alpine railroad station, on the night of January 31, 1918, opened with a further cross ex ary union and of the Baptist laymen's amination of Fred Amos, one of the

Attorneys for Wiseman attempted to impeach Amos' testimony with a series of questions. Amos was queried as to whether or not he had been charged with seduction, carrying a weapon, and representing himself as being a single man when he paid attentions to a stenographer in Haywood

county. Amos admitted that he had drawn a pistol on one McKinney and said that if he had been indicted several times in Mitchell he did not know it. as copies of the summons were never served on him.

When asked if he had attempted to escape military service he answered in the negative, adding that he had served six months on the Mexican border and had received a commission as a lieutenant in the last war.

The witness declared that his wife and children live with his wife's father near Newton owing to her poor health and that he amply supports them and provides as much as \$600 or \$700 a

vear, for that purpose.

Delegations from Newton testified to the good character of Amos and representative business men and of-ficials testified to the good character of Ramsey, the state's two star witnesses, both of whom declared positively yesterday that they were certain Wiseman was the man wno fired the shots that killed Dr. Hennessee.

Joe W. Tallant, who lives in Glen Alpine, said that after the homicite he was on the train with Amos and that Amos called him over for conversation, saying the man who fired the fatal shot weighed about 150 or 160 pounds, were a slouch hat and brown or tan overcoat, and that Wiseman was the man. Tallant told W. D. Pitts something between the homicide and the trial of the Pitts boys that he had had a talk on the train with a man who saw the shooting and that Wiseman was the man, but did not disclose to Pitts the name of Amos, as, the witness, and that Pitts did not ask him for name of witness

to tragedy. D. A. Kanipe, of Marion, did not know Wiseman personally but saw him on the bridge at Marion the day of the homicide at Glen Alpine. He further stated that defendant had two pistols, one in a scabbard under his fact that he was in France, serving arm and another in his pocket, that he the Y. M. C. A., and his return soon. wore a sack coat and did not speak.

Leigh Gordon, of Morganton, was one of the men sent to bring Wiseman to the Pitts trial and, with Hallman, to the Pitts trial and, with Hallman, to the Pitts trial and with Hallman, to the Pitts trial and trial and trial and the pitts trial and the pitts trial and tria

took papers, issued by Judge Cline, to bring Wiseman from his Avery county home. When they got in sight of the house, he said, Wiseman stood in the back yard. On a second knock at the door an old man responded and United States.

Cordon walked unstains where he At noon, the grand chapter Gordon walked upstairs where he found Wiseman in bed, saying he was sick. After witness explained that he wanted him for court, Wiseman pulled convocation with all the representatives singing the praises of Greenshore as a convention city and back his pillow and showed two pis-tols, which he said he had for officers in Avery who had been giving him trouble. In the corner of the room stood an army rifle. On cross exami-nation, Gordon stated that Dr. Petterson examined Wiseman and said he and all Masons invited to dinner at was sick. He testified that the pistols

like 38 caliber, but not large enough Pigures taken from the report completed Rev. Dr. Lansing Burrows, of Americus, Ga., statistician and former president of the convention, show that total contributions during the past year were \$17,857,929, or \$3,506,262 inquired about hiring an automobile at Morganton to drive back when the train pulled on the siding at Glen Al-pine and Wiseman got off.

Wiseman had were large and looked

R. M. Wilson, rural letter carrier Anderson, Fayettsville, grand princi-of Marion, said he saw defendant at Will Ramsey's at Marion the day after Southern Pines, grand captain guard Will Ramsey's at Marion the day after the homicide, and that Wiseman had

Grand Council of Royal and Select masters met in the Masonie temple at 2 o'clock, and after receiving reports of the various officers and handling of the regular routine, the election of officers took place with the following being elected to serve during the du-suing year; J.-H. Taylor, Wilmington, illustrious grand master; J. J. Phoe-

W. Payne. Spencer, grand conduc (Continued on Page two.) (Continued on Page Five)

Organize American League of Cotton Growers

AT NEW ORLEANS CONGRESS

Death Knell of Speculator in Cotton Producing World Sounded," Says Member.

New Orleans, May 14.-At a secret neeting here tonight of cotton grow; ers representing 400,000 acres of cotton producing land, the American Cotton Growers' league was organized, designed to combat what was alleged to be "a strong influence brought to bear and New England manufacturers," on the proceedings of the conference assembled here to consider the organization of a \$100.000,000 cotton exports corporation.

A committee was appointed, com-prised of A. Alan Breen, Bayminette, Ala: George E. Haskins, Mobile; Har-vey W. Swayne, Atlanta; R. F. Work Houston, Tex., and Justin Fair, Mont-gomery, Ala., empowered to work out Defense Tries to Impeach Tes- United States Grand Chapter to plans to meet the alleged "Influence.

Announcement that the growers had organized was made to the Associated Press by one of the members of the committee, who expressed the belief that "the death knell of the specula tor in the cetton producing world may have been sounded," by the organiza-

tion of the league. It was announced that three plans for permanent organization of cotton interests had been prepared and would be submitted to the general conference. These, known as the Texas, Tennessee and South Carolina plans, it Greensboro, May 14.—The 71st annual convocation of the grand chapwas stated, differed some as to detail ter of Royal Arch Masons of North but the general idea was the same. Carolina reconvened this morning at

The object of the association, ac-9 o'clock, when additional representatives had arrived during the night and will be to continue efforts started this further reports from the grand chap-ter officers were received. year for an intelligent co-operation relative to the reduction of increase of The first thing having the attention cotton acreage from year to year in of the convocation, after the disposing accordance with the world demand for

of routine business, was the next place cotton. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR mington being selected and the meet-WAR, BUT WILL PAY Until Affairs Are Turned Over Adriatic Problem Not Again ing to take place on the second Tues-day in May 1920.

Paris, May 14.-The note on reparations presented by the German peace delegation to the council of four does not protest against the pay-ment by Germany for the devastation of Greensboro, but now serving the Y. M. C. A., in France; J. M. Oldham, grand king, Charlotte; W. L. Crawford wrought in Belgium and northern France which, it says, Germany is grand scribe, Lexington; William Richie Smith, grand captain of the host, Raleigh; R. C. Dunn, grand prinready to do willingly. It is added however that Germany will not pay reparation for this damage on the principle that she was responsible for ton, grand Royal Arch captain, Asheville, J. W. Payne, grand master of

the war. The note on the question of prisoners says:

German peace delegation veil, Wilmington; C. A. Jenkins, grand master of the first veil. Winston-Sanotes with satisfaction that the project recognizes the principle of the return lem; E. B. Neave, grand treasurer. Salisbury, and John G. Briggs, grand secretary, Elizabeth City. of prisoners of war and civilians with the least possible delay. The delega-tion deems that all the details of the expectation of this measure ought to be submitted to a special commis-

United States Frederick W. Craig, of Des Moines, Iowa, and in addressing "Direct oral discussions between the new officers, he stated that the the commission and nearly all the belligerents concerning prisoners of war have been considered, even dur-Royal Arch chapters of Masonry had ing hostilities, as the surest means of The occasion of the general high priest's visit to North Carolina at this solving the difficulties. It ought today to be all the easier to reconcile time is for the purpose of selecting the next place of meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States. the different viewpoints and clear up certain obscurities still existing certain details of the problem." it having been decided at the last meeting of that body to meet in North

A. W. M'LEAN DELIVERS ADDRESS IN WASHINGTON

BY H. E. C. BRYANT.

Washington, May 14.—A. W. Mc-Lean, director of the war finance corporation, delivered an address today to the officers of the finance division of the war department, at a luncheon at Rauscher's, on the subject: "Some phases of government finance during There were more than a hundred of the officers of the division of finance present.

Hugh G. Chatham, of Winston-Sa lem, was here today.

• Eddy O. Caudle has been appointed postmaster at Oldrown and Jasper Smith, at Pink Hill.

JO-JO SAYS



robably fair Friday. Bad management 1 down when bad luck

JSTRIAN DELEGATES HAVE ARRIVED LEARN WHAT ARE TERMS OF PEACE

International Situation as

Summarized From the Cables

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. Now it is the turn of the Austrians to learn from the allied governments what is to be the cost to the former empire of its association with Germany and her

allies in the world war. The Austrian delegates who are to receive the peace treaty drawn up by the allies and associated gov: ernments have arrived in the village of St. Germain, near Paris, they are to await the summons of the peace congress to appear before it.

Unlike the reception given the Germans on reaching Versailles, that accorded the Austrians had Some elements of friendly cour-tesy on the part of the French representatives charged with the duty of meeting the visitors. On the face of the leader of the delegation, Count Renner, there was a from the train, in contrast with the stern set faces of all the Germans when they arrived at Ver-

It was evident that the request of the Germans for permission to to St. Germain and greet the Austrians had been denied, for no Germans were present.

When the first meeting of the

Austrians with the allied peace. delegates is to take place has not yet been announced.

The council of four has made reply to the suggestions incorporated in notes from the German delegates regarding labor

German delegates regarding labor and the repatriation of prisoners Three additional German notes have been delivered to the lorn-cii, and Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau and his associates are said to be drawing up further

To the French

and Three Divisions To Leave.

If Germans Sign.

Special Cable to The Observer From

The London Times.

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shing and Bliss took luncheon yester-

day with General Liggett, commander

of the American army of occupation.

will remain on the Rhine to repre-

In any event a small American force

sent the United States during the

period of occupation. It is a foregone conclusion that this force will be

made up of volunteers commanded by

Coblenz, Tuesday, May 13 .- (By the

Associated Press.)-If the Germans

sign the peace terms, all the American

troops, except the third corps and

three divisions and a few headquar-

ters, will be taken out of the oc-

cupied district of Germany by June 1

or soon after that date, according to reports in circulation in Coblenz.

It is understood that the first, sec.

ond and third regular divisions will

be those to remain for the duties in

connection with turning over the area

to French control. If the Germans accept the peace conditions, it is un-

derstood, preparation will begin im-

mediately for the remaining three divisions to withdraw to France preparatory to embarking for home.

affairs over to the French has not been determined, but it is estimated

that it may take perhaps a month longer. If the Germans do not ac-

cept, the plans for the withdrawal of

General Pershing, when asked by

the correspondent on Monday what

would be the part of the American army in the event the Germans do

not sign the treaty, said it may be de-pended upon that America will do

her part, whatever that may be.
In connection with the report that

all the Americans, except the third corps and three divisions, will be out of Germany by June 1, provided the

Germans accept the peace conditions, it is understood that the headquar-

ters of the third army will remain in Cablenz with Liuet. Gen. Hunter Lig-gett in command. The task of paying bills and checking up property preparatory to turning the area over

to the French will require a great

mass of detail work, but plans for the

mass of detail work, but plans for the trafisfer of the Americans from German soil have advanced to such an extent in the last few days that latest estimates are that possibly by August the duties of the great mass of the Americans in connection with the occupation will be virutally at an end and the last doughboy will have said good-bye to the Rhine.

The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh regular army division will be turned

The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh regular army division will be turned over to the service of supply. Various other units in the area of occupation also will be ordered to France. Plans have been prepared, so that when the Germans sign the treaty, to

begin moving the troops immediately.
It is hoped to move eight trains loaded with troops daily. The equipment
of the soldiers will be shipped out

will

the Americans, of course changed materially.

The length of time required to turn

regular army officers exclusively.

Coblenz, May 14.—Generals Per-

lengthy proposals looking to the americation of the peace terms given Germany.

One of the last notes of the Germans, which deals with the economic clauses of the treaty, asserts that enforcement of the terms will mean the ruin of Germany. Another note touches on the Saar valley arrangement, the transfer of German territory to Belgium and the evacuation by

Germany of Schleswig. No protest is made by Germany to affording reparation for damages to Belgium and northern Franc but one of the notes asserts that Germany will not pay for damages on the principle that she was responsible for the war.

A member each from the Brit-ish, French, American, Italian and Japanese delegations has been appointed by the council of four deal with the objections and proposals of the German plenipoentiaries.

Efforts are being made by the British peace delegation for the pooling on the basis of tonnage lost during the war, of former German merchant vessels seized by the allies. Such distribution would materially affect the ownership of German vessels, including some of Germany's greatest transatlantic liners, interned in the United States prior to this country's entry into the war and which later were seized. Poland is making claim to some of the warships surrendered by Germany

The Italians are declared to be landing large forces on certain portions of the Dalmatian coast, who are fortifying the ridges and

Taken Up by Council.

tion Seems To Have Had De-

pressing Effect in Italy.

BY G. S. ADAM.

The London Times.

Paris, May 14.-The question of

Flume and the Adriatic remains

where it was. Since the return of

Premier Orlando and Sonnino from

Rome, the matter has not been again

taken up by the council of four but,

in the unofficial discussions which'

have taken place, it is impossible to

coming on top of the failure to settle

the status of Flume, has evidently

contributed to the feeling that Italy

is being left in the cold. Italian cir-

"A first process verbal of deposit of

the ratifications will be drawn up as

soon as the treaty has been ratified by

Germany, on the one hand, and by three of the principal allies and asso-

ciated powers, on the other hand.
From the date of this first process

the treaty will come into force he-tween the high contracting parties who have ratified it. For the determi-nation of all periods of time provided

for in the present treaty this date will

be the date of coming into force of

"In all other respects the treaty will enter into force for each power

at the date of deposit of its ratifica-

Washington, May 14.—Attorney General Palmer has informed the commissioner of internal revenue that the manufacture of any sort

of beer is in violation of the law and should be so treated. The opinion of the attorney general may

prove a great blow to near-bear makers, who have been building up

a business to take the place of the brewers. It is a strict, literal in-terpretation of the beer provision of the war-time prohibition act. The action of the attorney general

will be far reaching.

BEER HELD UNLAWFUL

MANUFACTURE OF ANY

abandoned

which says:

the treaty.

Reception Marked by Some Elements of Courtesy.

NO GERMANS PRESENT TO GREET THE DELEGATION

Party Headed by Chancellor Renner, in Fine Spirits

JOYFUL HEART"

Crowds at St. Germain Display Mild Curiosity Rather Than Hostility.

Paris, May 14, (By the Associated Press.) - Immediate measures tending to the further subjugation of Germany if its delegates refuse to sign the peace treaty were indicated today by the announcement that Marshal Foch had been sent to the Rhine by the council of four to take such action as may become necessary in the event that the treaty is not signed.

The council of four, composed of President Wilson, David Lloyd-George, M. Clemenceau and Signor Orlando, today considered the immediate, reimposing of the blockade against Germany in case that country declines to sign the peace treaty. The subject was under discussion at two separate

meetings of the council. On the other hand, it is anticipated that the blockade will be entirely lifted immediately if the German delegates affix their signature to the treaty.

Coblenz, Monday, May 13, (B) the Associated Press.) - Marshal Foch is due to arrive at Coblenz on Thursday. He is making a frip which is taking him to the different headquarters of the occupied areas. The marshal will come here All Americans But Third Corps Lack of Progress Toward Solufrom Mayence and will be escorted down the Rhine by French gun-boats. He will be enfertained at luncheon by Lieutenant General Hunter Liggett, commander of the American Third army, and will Special Cable to The Observer From then proceed to Cologne under the escort of British gumboats. Coypright, 1919, by Public Ledger Co.

Paris, May 14.—Ka trian chanceller, broudelegation and attenda main, near Paris tod later date will appear resentatives of the all ed powers to receive which will spell peace for

say any progress has been made. The A notable feature of the proposal to appoint a small committee of experts, such as that which worked out the scheme for the adilege. The prefect of t M. Chalell, met the A cousty and although the cial handshaking, man ministration of the Saar valley, to try to find a modus vivendi has been the party were greeter handshakes from old ac This lack of achievement seems to have had a depressing effect in Italy. they were being shown to the Her omission from the alliance which is to guarantee France's security,

The delegates then proceeded a military escort to the villas set of them overlooking the valley of Scine and Paris and lacking the fences and sentries so much in dence at Versailles.

In Excellent Spirits.

cles strongly insist that there would have been no doubt that Italy would have accepted the invitation to join the alliance had she been asked. Another point which has affected public opinion has been the discovery that the peace treaty has a provision for ratification without the signature of Italy. This is provided in article 440,

Chancelor Romer was apparently in excellent spirits. He smiled engagingly and his eyes shone as he greeted the representatives of the allied countries. In the course of his remarks he said among other things:

"I hepe I may go away with as joyful a heart as I bring."

St. Germain was at its levellest this afternoon when the Austrian delegation was received. Although strict military regulations were enforced and the crowds of villagers held back by sentries from the failway station and the shady avenues through which the delegates were hurried to their abiding place, such precautions were unnecessary, for the crowds displayed mild curiosity rather than hostility. Under official escort the correspondents and others were conducted ceremoniously from the station through streets from which other traffic had been barred. It seemed like a fete day unconnected with war, and the good spirits of the crowd awaiting the Amatrians appeared to be shared by them, for they emerged smiling from their special train.

It was a cosmopolitan order which

special train.

It was a cosmopolitan crowd awaited the delegation, campo French, English, Italian, Japane American journalists and office Friendly Spirit Welcomed

Some of the Austrians quiringly from the window train entered the station, untheir reception, but Chancelle was sure of his ground comed the friendly apirit with heartiness, which was cated in a measure by thosphet.

Professor Lammann

panied by his wife and