KILLED ON DAY OF REJOICING OVER BOND ARRANGEMENTS

Cables Say President of Transcontinental Had Just Finished Successful Bond Negotiations.

CELEBRATED SUCCESS BY GIVING A LUNGHEON

Afterwards Went Up With Fisher in Biplane, Which Was Dashed to Ground, Kiling Both Men.

NDER the caption, "Airman and Passenger Are S. A. LYNCH: I think every business men of Asheville should give his support to this plan.

News yesterday afternoon pub-News yesterday afternoon published an Associated Press dispatch which described the tragic death of Victor L. Mason, American, and E. V. B. aviator, on the Brooklands aviation ground Monday in England. Neither the London dispatch nor the Associated Press supplementary description was adequate to local interests and

For in the death of Mr Mason the Transcontinental Construction company, of Asheville, constructors for the South Atlantic Transcontinental Railway Co., mourns the loss of its president. His mission to England was to make arrangements for the sale of the bonds of the construction company. Cables are to the effect that

tion company this morning nothing could be given out for publication. Officials here had just received confirmation of Convention Given Over the melancholy tidings, and were in deep sorrow and distress at this loss of a friend and most valuable fellow worker, following so closely the Morehead Calls Walser to the Chair-Lusk Is Indorsed for death of Mr. Lantry of the company, who succumbed to a sudden attack of pneumonia a few meaths ago. "He was the best man on the aviation field where thousands had congregated," said one, "and to think that he should be one of two singled had not completed its work. Deleout for death!"

out for death!"

New York Sun's Account.
Following its exhied account of the mond Penrson, Zeb Walser, T. E. Over, and Dr. Oyrus Thompson. Short addresses are being made white made in England of the bonds of the Transcontinental Construction company, of which be was president. The company was capitalized at 122,000.

100 and Mr. Mason had completed his sale and had intended to sulf for home about a week ago, but delayed his sale and had intended to sulf for home about a week ago, but delayed his sale and had intended to sulf for home about a week ago, but delayed his sale and had intended to sulf for home about a week ago, but delayed his sale and had intended to sulf for home about a week ago, but delayed his sale and had intended to sulf for home about a week ago, but delayed his sale and his sale

Inems.

Mr. Mason had interested himself in New Jersey politics and in 1895 was a delegate to the state republican convention, which named him as one of the alternate delegates to the national conventions of that year in Chicago. He had been a clerk in the board of ordinance and Partification in the administration of Becretary Alger and from the sources thereby placed at his command he wrote the story of Lincoln's assessination. It appeared in the Century Magazine ender the title "Four Inceln Conspiracies."

In 1862 he returned from Detroit to become vice president of the De-

City Should Celebrate Opening of New Hotel 2011

Business and Professional Men of Ashevile Endorse Idea of People Making Gala Event of the Formal Opening of the Langren July 4.

the value of the new hotel to Asheville. Every organization in the city should get behind the movement for a fitting celebration.

JOHN A. CAMPBELL: The sug

J. G. MERRIMON: It seems to me

the contemplated celebration is most commendable. It cannot but foster

good feeling and will show the ap-preciation the community feels to

wards its enterprising citizens who

ropsperity as to erect a hotel of this

good suggestion and will be glad to

od support to it.
JOHN A. GUFFEY: I cannot say

everybody get in line and make the

ormal opening a big success.
R. G. FORTUNE: I think every-

C. SAWYER: The business men

hould co-operate and make the open-

S. D. HOLT: I am in entire sym-

jening a big occasion, J. K. RIGGS: The celebration

A message from Senator Dixon was read declaring that Roosevelt had car-

Carolina Democrats

Likely to Send Uninstruct-

ed Delegation.

Columbia, S. C., May 15,-Sc

arolina democrate meet at noon to ny to select delegates to the nations envention. An uninstructed delega-

on is probable. The presidential

ontest is between Wilson and Under ood and heliher Clark nor Harmon ill figure in the running. A spirite ght over four delegates at-large was spected between the forces aligne-ith and those opposed in Governo lesses. Eighteen delegates will be

to the Roosevelt Men

State Chairman and Probably Will Get Po-

sition—Credentials Committee at Work.

gates at large will likely Be Rich- ried California by more than 75,000 mond Pearson, Zeb Walser, T. E. plurality and that indications were he

K. CHAMBERS: I think it

character.

In Monday's Gasette-News the suggestion was offered that the people of Asheville should hold a fitting celebration in the Langren hotel
on the occasion of its formal opening;
July 4. A number of the business and
professional men of the city have respended to this suggestion with the sponded to this suggestion with the heartiest approval. Following are some of these comments:

A. NICHOLS: The idea is an excellent one. The people of Asheville

should co-operate as a unit with the management of this hotel. This occathing locally, but should be taken advantage of to give Asheville desir-able publicity.

F. M. WEAVER: I heartily endorse the idea presented through The Ga-zette-News. It will be the proper thing to do; a wise move.

ERWIN SLUDER: The occasion should be properly celebrated and all the people of Asheville should co-oprate in making it a big success. S. LIPINSKY: The idea is a good one and the business community should heartily co-operate.

J. H. WOOD: The formal opening of this hotel will be a big event in the history of Asheville, and every man in Asheville should be in sympathy with the idea of properly observing it.

B. M. JONES: It will be a big thing for Asheville. We will gladly

JULIUS LOWENBEIN: I think is

C. H. HONESS: I most heartily favor the movement. I think it will be a great thing for the city. GEORGE S. POWELL: I endorse the idea and think the people of Ashe-

should show their appreciation J. L. WAGNER: This can be made big thing for the city. I am thor-

Cazette-News suggestion.

POSTMASTER HOLLINS: It is an occasion that should be celebrated, and offers a favorable opportunity of telling the outside world what we are

E. L. RAY: I heartly endorse the dea and you can count on the hearty co-operation of the Citizens bank.
L. L. JENKINS: There is nothing

Cables are to the effect that the mission had been successfully concluded.

At the office of the construction company this morning the company this morning the company this morning the company this morning the company that the construction company the company that the construction company the company that the company the company that the company the company that the company tha

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, May 15.

At 3:15 the credentials committee

gates at large will likely Be Rich-

Combination Car and Day Coach Derailed When Switch Is Split at Connelly Springs.

A WRECKING TRAIN SENT FROM ASHEVILLE

gestoin made by The Gazette-News is a good one I believe Asheville should signalize the event with a suitable Names of Dead and Injured Not Given in Early Reports of the Accident.

The late reports of the wreck of No 11, westbound passenger train, give the information that Engineer B. F. Smith of 136 Blanton street and ar unknown negro girl are dead, and the injured are Judge J. C. Pritchard, an ment.

M. MEYERS: Everybody should be proud of this achievement and lend support to the formal opening.

C. W. BROWN: I am for the rest

was wrecked at the 58 milepost near EDWIN L. BROWN, JR.: I conclude Springs about noon today, sider it a splendid idea. Let all get together and make it a big success.

M. SWARTZBERG: Heartly in killed and two or three others in-jured. Baggage Master Buckner was rather badly hurt. The wreck was the result of a derailment, the baggage car having split a switch, and two cars left the track, the combinashould encourage the management the day coach. The first reports of the accident did not give the name note is a big thing for the city of Asheville. Taylor and Conductor Parker.

pathy with the spirit of the editorial article and think the entire city should unite in making the formal The information of the wreck was Asheville division shortly after it oc curred, and at once arrangement suggested by The Gazette-News is the were started to clear the wreck and proper think and should receive the take care of the injured. The comproper think and should receive the support of all the people.

The following gentlemen expressed themselves in almost identical terms, to the effect that they heartly favor the project, and will gladly co-operate: S. P. BURTON, J. R. CLEM-ENTS, E. C. SAWYER, S. L. FORBES, D. S. GUDGER, ADOLPH pany was unable to get into commu-nication with the regular company tington, who hurried to Biltmore and caught the wrecking train which was proceeding to the scene with a der-

No. 11 was due here at 2:20 o'clock.

Levee Break Near New Orleans Renders 60,000 People Homeless.

DEL ARE UFAR I FORD

New Orleans, May 15,-Hundreds New Orleans, May 15.—Hundreds are fleeing before the flood current in the country north of here on the opposite side of the Missisaippi river. The gash forced out of West lever last night is widening. Thousands of fertile acres are in the flood's path. to consist largely of Roosevelt men was appointed and then adjournment was taken for an hour pending the report of this committee. Sixty thousand people are affected. Half this number will be without homes until the waters subside.

over five acres of cattle pens at the stockyards today. Nearly 2000 head of cattle were burned. The loss is \$100,000. The government tubercu-losis testing station was destroyed.

SSERTS TRUST SUITS HAVE HURT HIS CAUSE

raft Says That He Is Feeling Effect of Prosectsoms in His Campaign.

Zanesville, O., May 15.—President aff began his third day's campaign to this at Roseville. Taft pointed ith particular pride to the record of rust presecutions by his administration. He told about the administration's presecution of the trusts. Then a said he is feeling the effects of here prosecutions in the present cambier.

Wants to Get \$15,000 More from the Thaws



New York, May 15 .- Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, disheartened by the ob stacles to her divorce from Harry K. Thaw, is directing an effort to collect \$15,000, the amount of three checks given to her by her husband and his other immediately after Thaw's commitment to Matteawan. Payment on these checks was stopped.

With the baby boy, said to be a beautiful child, whose constant and devoted companion she has been ever since his birth in Europe 21 months ago and with \$15,000 capital she hopes, it is stated, to cut loose forever from Thaw, abandoning the \$5000 a year she long has received from him. She wants to avoid testifying at any further Thaw hearings, as such curiosity now repeated would involve probably an exploitation of the infant to whom she is said to be tenderly attached and whose young life already has had more than its share of mystery.

Wytheville Case Probably Will Two Masked Men Blow Safe Reach the Jury at To-

day's Session.

murdering Prosecutor Foster, ar-rangements for trying the other mem-

Judge Mairston had not completed his were formed and mounted on horses appeal to the jury in Allen's behalf.

Prosecutor Wyser follows Hairston. who, it is said, took a northeasterly The case then goes to the jury. There direction, evidently heading for the is a slight probability of a verdict late today.

The trial of the first of the six men charged with the premeditated mur-der of five people with the Allen gang swooped down out of the Blue Ridge and shot up Carroll county court beher to prison, has not been without unusual interest, and the court room here has been crowded with many women who came to hear the sensational charge on one side, of a flendish conspiracy to do wholesale murder, and stout denial and pleas of self de-

Much of the testimony brought out has been to charge Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards, the only two mem-Wesley Edwards, the only two members of the gang who have cluded capture, with the shots which killed Judge Massie. Prosecutor Foster and Sheriff Webb, a juror and a bystauder, and upon this, lawyers for Allen have dweit much in their appeals to the jury. The other phase of the defense is that the court officers started the shooting and they are attempting to substantiate the claim that the officials were enemies of the Allens.

DIE IN FOREST FIRE

ven Are Killed as Flames Sweet Through Woods of Spagit Coun-ty, Washington,

Near Hattiesburg and Escape.

Allen's case probably will reach the men held up the New Orleans-New The royal yacht Dannesbrog, e ment is expected to delay adjourn- railroad, eight miles south of Hattlesment this afternoon for an hour or burg, Miss., shortly after midnight so. Should Allen be convicted of this morning and after dynamiting the safe in the express car escaped on horses with one bundle containing bers of the Allen clan involved in the Hillsville tragedy will proceed immediately.

When court recessed for luncheon. It is authorities were notified. Posses who, it is said, took a northeasterly direction, evidently heading for the

Alabama state line.

Five charges of dynamite were exploded in the express car, nearly de-molishing it. A through safe destined from New Orleans to eastern points, reigning houses. Prince Christian was blown open and its contents takon. The train had stopped at a water bers boarded the express car. At the time nearly all the passengers except a few who were to leave the train at Hattiesburg, were asleep in their

The men first forced the enginee and fireman to leave the engine and, together with the conductor, flagman and other members of the train crew fense on the other.

Floyd Allen's wife, careworn and ill over the ordeal, sat beside the prisoner, her face hidden most of the time oner, her face hidden most of the time behind a black bordered handkerchief.

The himself, sore with wounds of the entered the express car forcing the entered the express car forcing the entered the express car forcing the expression of the expression hehind a black bordered handserenist. of the robbers, while the other robber Allen himself, sore with wounds of the ight, followed the arguments apprehensively. Five of his kinsmen are express messenger and a guard who was watching the government money to get out and join in the line-up. It is in the inconvicted. A mistrial or a verdict of guilty in a minor degree may change the procedure of their weapons before they had a chance to resist. After the goard and messengers disembarked, the robber guarding the crew sent one of them back through the coaches with in structions to inform the passengers that the train was being held "for cer-tain purposes and they were safe as long as they remained inside the cars."

Southern Express officials declined to vouchsafe information about the amount of money the robbers se-

Express officials declared an investigation would be necessary before the amount of the robbers had could be determined. The sum stolen is variously estimated at between \$50,000 and \$150,000, the latter figure probably heins correct. Sherin Bennett and a passe are in pursuit of the scaped bengits, bloodrounds leading he way. It is believed the two bands fits fled on horses in charge of a third obber stationed in bearby woods.

When the train reached Hattiesburg threes employee insteaded in the demandary of the

King Frederick of Denmark Expires Suddenly in Hamburg, Unrecognized and Unattended.

BODY IS CONVEYED TO PUBLIC HOSPITAL

Where It Is Found by Members of Suite After Search-Traveled Incognito.

Hamburg, Germany, May 15.—King Frederick VIII. of Denmark died alone, unrecognized and unattended in a public thoroughfare here late last night of apoplexy. The king was rushed to the nearest hospital where it was found he was dead, When members of the king's suite

became alarmed over his failure to sturn, search was begun and resulted in discovering his body in a hospital.

The king had been regarded as completely restored to health. Yes-terday he felt particularly well. Flags on all the public buildings here are half-masted. King Frederick and the queen had travelled from Nice under he incognito "Count and Counters of

Kronberg." Their three youngest chil-dren were with them.

When the king left his hotel for a stroll last night he was attired in an stroll last night he was attired in an ordinary business suit. When he was stricken and fell, passersby ran to the spot to assist him, but he was already dead. A policeman was called. The body was conveyed to the salions' hospital in an automobile. There was nothing on the body to afford the slightest clue to the king's identity. Physicians said death had been instantances.

King's Death Stuns Denmark.
Copunhagen. May 15.—Denmark's
copie were stonned by their popular
ing's sudden death. They were inormed recently that the monarch was health. There is the deepest sorrow everywhere. It is stated his majesty's return from Nice was by order of a physician, who recognized the possi-bility of his sudden death.

The proclamation of the new king,

who will take the title of Christian X., occurs at 3 o'clock this afternoon in

front of Amalienborg castle. Christian X. was proclaimed king of Denmark from a balcony of the palace at three o'clock this afternoon in the Wytheville, Va., May 15.—Floyd New Orleans, May 15.—Two masked of the royal residence.

jury tonight. Arguments to the jury York limited train No. 2, northbound, ed by a warship, sailed for Lubeck, continued when court reconvened. The commonwealth's closing argu- on the New Orleans and Northeastern Prince Harald, the late king's third son, left for Lubeck where he will receive the body, which wil be conveyed by train from Hamburg. Dannebrog is expected to return to have been fired from Fort Sixtus since The reading of the proclamation

was hailed with uold cheers from an enormous crowd, Throughout day church bells have been tolling. At the palace many telegrams of condelence from rulers have arrived, including one from President Taft. King Frederick, whose father, King reigning houses. Prince Christian was born in 1870 and married Princess Alexandrina of Mecklenburg-Schwering, thus being a brother-in-

Schwering, thus being a prother-in-law of Germany's crown princess.

British Court in Mourning
London, May 15.—Queen Mother Al-exander and Dowager Empress Marie of Russia, King Frederick's alster, are prostrated. Flags on public build-ings were half-masted. The British court is plunged into mourning, and the social session just commencing will be seriously affected.

WIN IN CALIFORNIA

Colonel's Plurality Over Taft and La Follette Is Probably 60,000

STATE OF THE PARTY

vere terms President Taft's act in withdrawing the 10 federal appointments in this state, declaring that such conduct was abbreview of good morals and good government and in direct violation of the civil metvice laws and an attempt to make moralmoise of honogable men.

The Convention Opens.

When the convention met at noon, Chairman Morehead stating he recognized the overwhelming Rossevelt authorities of Festing that the convention met at the convention met at the convention of the convention and resident a