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DEATH WAGON WAS **S**EEN BY WITNESS **BEFORE EXPLOSION**

One Man Saw Three Men Run From Scene Just Before The Blast

SECOND WARNING

Police Regard Warning That Cuctoms House Would Be Destroyed a Hoax

FISCHER IS OBSERVED He Is Said To Have Sent Wilson Several Letters In 1916 Asking Him To Stop The War

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Sept. 20.—Statements by

two men, one of whom claims to have "death wagon" which carted the explosive standing near the assay office at 10:30 a. m. Thursday, one and one-half hours before the explosion occurred, and the other who says he saw three men running away from the scene just before the blast, furnished the most important developments today in the e veral investigations of the disaster

Other interesting developments of the day included:

Announcement by the district at torney's office that Edwin P. Fischer, lawyer and former employee of the French high commission, who sent post card warnings of the disaster from Toronto, had virtually eliminated himself from direct knowledge of complicity in the case after eight hours question ing. Receipt of a warning by William H

Edwards, collector of internal revenue, that an attempt would be made to destroy the oustoms house at 2 p. m. tomorrow. This is regarded by the police ns a hoax.

Identification of the hitherto unidentified body, previously believed as probably that of the driver of the explosive laden wagon, as that of Elmer W Kehrer, an unemployed chauffeur, and lack of any evidence connecting him with the crime.

Release of Alexander Brailovsky, Russian journalist, who was arrested on a technical charge of being an undesirable alien after he admitted having bee seen in the vicinity of Broad and Wall streets shortly after the explosion tool · Search by federal agents for a re

ported cache of explosives on Plum Beach island, a government reservation off Sheepshead bay, where a quantity of trinitrotoluol was found in an abandone vessel several months ago.

an old red delivery wagon in front of the assay office around the corner. The horse appeared broken down, he said. Hoosevelt. Democratic vice-presidenhorse appeared broken down, he said, and he went over to make an examinatien of it, finding a bad sore under the

He looked at his watch and noticed it was 10:30, he told the police, and waited beside the wagon until 11:30 with the intention of serving a summons on the driver, when he was forced to leave in order to serve his Brooklyn summons which was for a morning session of the court. He did not examine closely the centents of the wagon, but described it as "an ordinary, dilapidated express wagon.'

Meade also teld the police the collar worn by the horse was of the "k" type and this is the kind of a collar that was found in the street after the explosion. ive also noticed that all the ornamental knobs and other markings had been riripped from the harness and in this, too, his description tallies with that of the material actually found. He also stated the horse had been but recently clipped and that the wagon was without a name but had some numerals on the

Police attach considerable importance to Meade's statement and are using the material he furnished in their investigation into the identity of the wagon

Information that three suspicious looking men were seen running from the scene was furnished by Samuel B. Vellington, president of the West Indies rading company. He declared he left a lawyer's office in Wall street a few minutes before noon Thursday and as he did he heard voices calling: "Hurry.

Beat it. Get out of this!"

He looked across the street and saw two middle-aged men who looked to him like "east side peddlers" beckening and calling to a third man who was on the other side of the street nearer the assay office and across the street from the Morgan bank. The third man. lieved to be about 60 years old and described as "greasy" looking, was then peering into the ramshackle wagon a

the curb. In response to the call of the others the third man, Mr. Wellington said started to run after them toward Wil Ham street. He took them for bond thieves, he added, and expected to se them chased by a policeman. When he reached the corner of Nassau street he was knocked unconscious by the explosion. Mr. Wellington has been sum

moned as a witness before the Septem ber grand jury. At the conclusion of Fischer's ex amination tonight he was sent to psy chopathic ward of the Bellevue hospital for observation. If adjudged insane, measures will be taken to have him committed to an insane asylum, it was

announced by the district attorney' Secret service operatives declared Fischer had been investigated four years ago and found "a harmless letter writer. He is alleged to have sent the President "several crank letters" in 1916, posing as a religious pacifist and calling upon the President to stop the

Testimony tending to contradict that (Cantinued on Page Ten.)

LEAGUE COUNCIL IS PEACE MAKER

Difficulties of Four Nations Settled Amicably At Paris Meeting

(By The Associated Press) Paris, Sept. 20 .- The ninth session f the council of the league of nations adjourned today after having smoothed out difficulties between four nations in controversies which at one time threatened to result in war. Through its action in the Polish-Lithuanian crisis the council succeeded in getting the two countries to agree to an immediate suspension of hostilities pending a settlement of their dispute which both sides

The Aland Islands questionl ikewis is considered in a fair way for settlement. A Finnish reservation, which at first appeared seriously to cloud the issue, was explained as not offering an insurmountable difficulty and as having been made largely for technical reasons League officials explained that, al-though neither Finland nor Sweden was legally bound to accept the league's decision, they were morally bound to accept it. It was further pointed out that a settlement, "if backed by public opinion, would virtually compel accept-

ance." Count Quinones De Leon, Spanish ambassador to France, and Baron Kaishiro Matsui, Japanese vice foreign minister, have been appointed to represent the veterans and a delegation of Kentucky league of nations in the settlement of and Tennessee citizens "how we ever the Polish-Lithuanian question and it can consent to enter into a new world is expected that at least a tentative compact with a dozen ambiguities in decision will be ready for the approval of the league council at its October

COLBY'S STATEMEN

Occupation Will End When United States' Purpose Is Attained

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 20.—Announcing that the "benevolent purpose" of this country's occupation of the island of Haiti was "nearing" attainment. Secretary Colby declared in a statement

tonight that the United States "hopes to withdraw and leave the island's administration to the "unaided efforts of the Haitien people" when that purpose has been fully achieved. The relations of the United States with Haiti, the sccretary added, should not be "mis-represented even under the temptations that a political campaign presents t irresponsible utterance and conscious unveracity.

While not replying directly to recen charges by Senator Harding, the Republican nominee, that the administra-tion was conducting "unconstitutional Joseph Meade, an agent of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, is the man who claims to have seen the "death wagon" in Wall street at 10:30 those countries and defended it as better the history of the countries and defended it as better the history of the countries and defended it as better the history of the countries and defended it as better the countries are the countries and defended it as better the countries are the countries and defended it as better the countries are th Thursday morning. He said he had ing guided by "no thought except to been sent to Manhattan from a Brook-help' 'their peoples. Senator Harding's lyn court to serve a summons and that walking up Broad street noticed in Haiti was made in connection with

tial nomined Earlier in the day it was learned that the state department had informed G. Baran, Haitien minister of foreign, af fairs, that the salaries of the president and other high officials of the Haitien government, which have been withheld since last June, would be so withheld until the native government ceased is interpose obstacles to the carrying our of certain provisions of the treaty of tered into at the time of this country occupation of the island. The Amer can government informed the Haitier minister of foreign affairs that it could expect no relief from this action until the Haltien government adopted a less entagonistic attitude towards the Amer-

ican authorities. Protest against American sintervon tion in San Domingo was made in a simultaneous statement tonight by 1, M. Castero, representing the Dominican junta in the United States. Referring to the recent declarations by Senator Harding and Secretary of the Navy Castern declared the citizens Daniels. of the Dominican republic "have never sought the present American interven-tion" and have never ceased to ask for "restoration of their freedom and sovereignty."

OUSTED SOCIALISTS PRESENT AT OPENING

(By The Associated Press) Albany, N. Y., Sept. 20,-No action was taken tonight when the assembly extraordinary convened in relative to the five Socialist members expelled last spring and reelected last Thursday to fill their own vacancies. After the call to order, the special message of Governor Smith on the housing

All five of the Socialists were in their seats when the gavel fell. In anticipation of some drastic action, one of the largest crowds that ever at tended a session of the assembly was

MORE MILITIA SENT TO

COAL MINE DISTRICT

situation was read.

present.

(By The Associated Press) Monigomery, Ala., Sept. 20,pany L. Alabama national guard, of Alabama City, was ordered into service today with instructions to the com-rounding officer to report for duty to General Robert E. Steiner, in charge I troops in the Alabama mine strike zone, Tuesday afternoon. It was also announced at military headquarters that 500 steel helmets had been order ed shipped from the government arsenal at Augusta, Ga., to the men on duty in the strike zone.

NO CERTIFICATES OF

ELECTION ISSUED

New York, Sept. 20 .- Officials of the board of elections declared tonight that) no certificate of election had been issued to the five Socialist assemblymen who were ousted by the legislature last war and by so doing put an end to the winter and were reported to have taken line today to consider the "slaughter of human beings." No active oath of office in Albany today after prices for the staple, which it is winter and were reported to have taken lina today to consider the present tion was taken against Fischer at that having been re-elected in Thursday'

special election. of Meade was later furnished by Oscar the board of canvassers will not meet nor Bickett designating this as "cotton" until tomorrow.

VETERANS OF CIVIL WAR ARE ADDRESSED BY G. O. P. NOMINEE

He Told Them The League of Nations Full of "Known Ambiguities"

THE WAR'S CAUSE

Ambiguity In Federal Constitution Was Main Cause For War Between States

HEART OF THE LEAGUE

Harding Declared That No American Could Be Both For Article 10 and The Constitution

(By The Associated Press) Marion, O., Sept. 20 .- Warning that he league of nations is full of "known mbiguities," and that it was ar imbiguity in our own constitution that led to the Civil war, Senator Harding today asked a delegation of Civil war

The senator asserted that article X f the league of nations is a "reciprocal pledge on our part to help preserve the independence and national integrity of 14 nations," and that the article and it cerrelaries "clearly contemplate war it ced be to make this preservation po

Asserting that President Wilson had laced the "purport of an obsolete Clay on-Bulwartacy" above our constitu-ional rights, in requiring tolls from American vessels passing through the Panama canal, Senator Harding ex-claimed: "Who cares to say that this ame sort of logic will not some day be used to plague an unwilling Americ into foreign war if we unreservedly subscribe to article X, the constitution o the contrary notwithstanding?"

Owing to a misund-rstanding, the Keptucky and Tennessee delegation ame today instead of temorrow and national encampment at 'Indianapolis. Senator Harding said in part: "I like

to think of the blend of Kentucky and Tennersee with the sons of the north who saved the nation. I like to think that in this year 1920 there are few wounds of the Civil war remaining, there are few evidences of sectionalism our national life; and there is no one ho regrets the winning of the war by the north and the preservation of this conderful land of ours. "I like to recall that, after all, there

national school and the other was the school of states' rights. These two schools in American politics were in ever ending intensity until it finally culminated in the great Civil war and that conflict the question was tled and the United States committed everlastingly to nationality.

"Have you ever stopped to think that we one people with naturally one interest were led into the Civil war by a mere ambiguity in the federal constitution. In the beginning we were so divided in our ideas that there was of necessity uncertainty left in the compact that was made and it required the Tvil war to wipe it out. And that was very great price to pay. But remem ering that, my countrymen, I want ask you, knowing the cost of wiping out the ambiguity in the constitution of our own republic, how can we ever con and to enter into a new world compare with a dozen ambiguities in it?

"Let me call your particular atten tion to one: There is much dispute about that which is known as 'the heart of the league,' No American can be simultaneously for article X and for the constitution of our republic more than an American in Lincoln's time could be simultaneously for emancipation and for slavery.

'Article X is a reciprocal pledge or our part to help preserve the inde-pendence and the territorial integrity of 44 nations, if all who are invited t join the league do so, commanding 35 000,000 square miles of the earth's surface. Article X and its collelarie clearly contemplate war, if need be, make this preservation possible: case of such war it is official testimony in the words of the President himself that America is under an absolutel compelling moral obligation' to go in

Leavenworth, Kan., Sept. 20.—Jack Johnson, former heavyweight chain plon, brought here yesterday to serv sentence of a year and a day for vi lation of the Mann act, has been made orderly of the prison baseball part His duties are to keep the athleti grounds in good condition. Later or ecording to the warden, he will b made director of athletics.

Two Men Killed Deland, Fa., Sept. 20.—Charlie Ed-mund and Charcs Faircloth, two young white men, were shot and instantly killed last night by J. Rainer, road man, at Seville. Rainer cla Rainer claims he killed the pair in self defense, and a coroner's jury which heard the evidence oday found a verdict of justifiable

"Babe" Makes Scoring Record St. Louis, Sept. 20.-"Babe" Ruth run champion, shattered anothe record here this afternoon, scoring his 148th run of the season in the 11th inning, to give New York a 4 to 3 vice over St Louis. The previous of 14 was established by Ty Cobb, of Detroit, in 1911.

Cotton Farmers Hold Meeting,

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 20.—Cotton coffiers held mass meetings in practi ally every county seat in North Care ed are below the cost of production The meetings were held in compliance The election officials pointed out that with a recent proclamation by Gover- (Rube) Benton, a pitcher for the New finally reached, the chairman said, as

KILLED BY EXPLODING TIRE.

McAllen, Tex., Sept. 20.—Peter Roe was instantly killed today at San Juan, near here, when a motor truck tire exploded while he was inflating it with air. The top of his head was blown off and a nearby brick wall blown in by the explosion.

CLEAN UP LOOSE ENDS IN HEARING

Into Campaign Expenditures-Inquiry To Be Resumed Tomorrow, Says Kenyon

WITNESSES CALLED

Thompson and Barnes To Be Quizzed On Contributions and Campaign Book

SESSIONS END SATURDAY The Committee Hasn't Decided

Whether Primaries In Two Western States Will Be Investigated (By The Associated Press)

Washington, Sept. 20.—Objectives of senate committee investigating cam aign expenditures in resuming swings here Wednesday were said by 'hairman Kenyon tonight to be the 'chaning up of loose ends' growing out f the earlier hearings and inquiry into lleged political activities of the liquor iterests.

The series of hearings here, Senator cenyon said, is expected to be conluded Saturday after which the com-nittee will adjourn [antil after the election except for possibly a two day conference prior to the election to dis

cuss its plans, In cleaning up loose ends, Chairman Kenyon said the committee would hear William Boyce Thompson, chairman of the ways and means committee of the Republican national committee and William darnes, of New York. Both were to have been heard in Chicago, the chairman said, but the committee Both the presidential candidate found it convenient to address them along with the delegation of G. A. R. veterans who had stopped off on their way to attend the national engagement of the national engagement of the Republican while Mr. Barnes is to be examined regarding the publication of the campaign book "Republicanism in 1920." Preparatory to the inquiry as to al-

leged participation of liquor interests in the campaign a subpoena has been issued for George T. Carroll, of Elizabeth, N J., president of the Nationa Retail Liquor Dealers' association of

Other witnesses to be heard this week were said by Chairman Kenyon to in-clude: Charles McDonald and Edward were no very great differences between us. I only think it was a misdirected tral committees in New Jersey; James W. Gerard, of New York, eastern two for country. You know there treasurer for the Democratic national treasurer of the league to enforce

Senator Kenyon said that the calling conflict from the very beginning of the of the two New Jersey state chairmen republic; they waged about warfare with was in line with the committee's decision to take that state as an example for the purpose of ascertaining what vas being done by the state organizafons in raising money in addition to national funds.

"It may be we will call representa tives from other states before we ge through with it," the chairman added He said, however, that he did not be be heard by the committee at its ses

The invesigation committee has not decided whether it will extend its in-quiry to include the Democratic senstoria primaries in Oklahoma and Missouri or into the election of delegates to the Republican national con

WOMEN REGISTRARS MAKE GOOD RECORDS

Two Richmond Women Register 193 and 134 Voters, Respectively

Richmond, Val., Sept. 20,-Women of he Equal Suffrage league of Richmond and their first experience as registrars oday when two prominent workers in he league ranks were sworn in as leputies to the central registrar, who dso had as an assistant a mere The two women, Mrs. Frank L. Jobson and Mrs. Carter W. Wormeley, distinguished themselves by scoring each, higher record than the fastest worker of the men. Of the total of 578 feminine, voters enrolled Mrs. Jobson accepted 193 as qualified for the ballot and Mrs Wormeley 134. City Registrar Wood son enrolled 126, all negro women, and his assistant, La Mott Blackey, 123 There was separation of the races at the registration offices, only white women registering with the equal suff rage representatives.

Negro-women protested elamorously gainst the refunal of the registrar to swear in as deputies several of their number who tendered their services, More than 100 negro women were in ine waiting to register when the doors were closed for the day. Mrs. Worm-ley, registrar, discovered at the close of the day that she had been robbed of her silk purse, \$15 in each and a pack age of important papers. The money and valuables were filehed from the table at which the deputy was encoll-

The total of the city's registered femnine vote rose to 2,650 today, sufficient Bratton, and Frank Stahlman, of Nash to swing any municipal election head is the best decade, if polled solidly. The the last decade, if polled solidly, total of the negro woman vote to this time is approximately 450,

League Leaders Subposnaed. Chicago, Sept. 20.—The grand jury in Chicago, Sept. 20.—The grand inty investigating charges of beschall gamb-tons of coal for the use of the Chileen France ling in the major leagues today issued navy were taken up today at a confersubpoenas for President B. H. Johnson,

Chicago major league clubs.

MANY NEWSPAPERS ARE NOT PRINTING CAMPAIGN NEWS

Cox Charged Press With Being Biased-Is Part of Republicans' Plan

18TH AMENDMENT Nominee Reiterated That He

Intended To Enforce Prohibition NEWBERRY WAS OBSTACLE

The Governor Said The League of Nations Would Be Real Had It Not Been For Newberry

(By The Associated Press)

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 25.—Charges of biased press were made by Governor ox, of Ohio, Democratic presidential andidate, in addressing a large audice here today.
"A great many reactionary paper:

are not printing the news (of the paign)" Governor Cox asserted. decline to have this case tried before the jury. Nine tenths of the newspa-California do not print the news.

"One of the deliberate plans of the senatorial oligarchy," said Governor Cox, "was to control as many newspaers as possible.

The general charge was supplement d by the Governor with criticism of newspapers of Pacific north est states which he visited recently and of California papers. Some of th former, he said, did not carry his speech of acceptance.

The governor presented what he termed his "gornel of progress and peace among men" to a large theatre audience. Hundrels were turned away. Governor Cox reiterated that he in tended to enface prohibition. Stating that Pacific northwest newspapers had tried to divide progressivism and the liquor question, he shouled "the 18th amendment has been adopted, its going o be enforced," stamping his fee while the audience applauded.

The governor also desared for a tariff on lemons to cover the deficit in labor and transportation costs to New York from Italy and California. said that he advocated such a tariff ir congress in 1909 and would adhere to that position. He cricicized "reaction ary newspapers which say that Co might be right on the league but stands or a tariff that would put the Califor nia lemon growers out of business.

The league of nations was a leading topic of the Democratic candidate's adress and he urged its non-partisan con Referring to the Republican front orch campaign Governor Cox said that he remained at home there might

"afraid to face audiences."

Featuring the league of nations, Govon the reservations effered in the sen ate by Senaior Hitchcock, Democrat, (Nebraska, administration leader, and a so read a portion of President Wilson's letter to Senator Highcock, approving he Nebraskan's reservations. Governor Cox said, refuted the charges that the President demanded ratifica-tion "without the crossing of a "t" of the dotting of an "L""

The Monroe doctrine was protected lovernor Cox said, by the Hitche servations, declaring it would "not be

apaired. Another Hitchcock reservation, the covernor said, met objections of these who declared the British empire would mye six votes to America's one. "If Canada has a dispute, she canno at and only one year would be accord ed to England and all her colonies said the governor, explaining the reser

cations operation. The governor reflerated that he would present Ireland's cause to the league edding that he would answer any ques lens on the Irish or other subjects. "That's why I'm here and not on my front porch," the governor said. man asked about the Newberr ection case in Michigan, and Governor x said that Senator Newberry wa envicted "of buying his seat in the enate by a Republican judge and

"If Newberry had not sat in the sen ate," the governor added, "we would have had the league of nations. If he had not been put on the senate foreign relations committee by Henry Cabe Lodge, the senate would have ratified the league with helpful and not emascu

lating reservations. The governor reiterated that would accept reservations which would "help, clarify and reassure, but not those which emasculate or nullify, and cited reports of submission b Poland of disputes to the league and I Sweden and Findland of the Aland is

TENNESSEE SOLONS CONFER WITH COLBY

league's success.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 20.-A delegatio of members of the Tennersee house or representatives, led by Speaker Set Walker, discussed today with Secretary of State Colby Tennessee's ratification of the suffrage amendment, Mr. Walker declined to comment on the conference other than to say that delegation was cordially received and that he expected o see the secretary again temorrow. Members of the delegation in addition to Mr. Walker, who led the fight agains included Representative ratification. Frank Hall, of Nashville, leader of the legislature, who bolted to Alabama is order to break the quorum and preven final action on the amendment, Repre sentatives Percy Sharp and Robert

Chile Wants Coal. Washington, Sept. 20.-Negotiation:

wille.

for the transportation in American gov ernment owned merchant ships of 50,000 ence between Charman Benson, of the j of rates to the board's experts,

ON DURY AARKET Members of The Tobacco

Board of Trade Think Season's Record Made GENERAL AVERAGE \$28.86

Average Is Only \$3.84 Less Than On Opening Day In

1919—Tobacco Growers Seemed Pleased

With more than 1,000 farmers boking on, the Durham tobacco market open d yesterday with prices a great dea higher than had been predicted, and : general average in easy striking dis tance of the average nung up on the pening day last season, when all rec ords were smashed. There were 80. 726 pounds of tobacco sold at the four warehouses, and so far as could be learned last night, the farmers for the most part were highly pleased with the results. There was no suggestion throughout the day of general criticism among the tobacco growers of this sec tion, although it was reported that some of the smaller markets nearby opened and closed yesterday, the farmers re-Avsing to sell at prices offered.

Although it could not be definitely learned last night, Durham tobacconists believe the local market yesterday made a new high record for North Carolina penings. The last report received ore was that the highest opening average was slightly more than \$24 per 100 pounds. Durham's average yesterday was \$28.86 per 100 pounds. The open ing day average in 1919 was but \$3.84

Tobacco sold from two cents to \$1 pound. In fact, J. Scott Burch, secre-tary of the tobacco board of trade, com-menting on yesterday's siles, declared that the average this someon was better than that of last season, the toleron of fered yesterday being a much prefer grade in the aggregate than that put on

The tobacco grower selling day were paid a total of \$23,310,16. The sales yesterday moved rapidly and with splendid success. Nearly all of the tobacco companies were represented by buyers and the bidding wa as lively and competitive as in the past. The first sale was won, by the Big Four warehouse. It moved from there to the Banner, next to the Star and last to the Planters. Members of the tobacco board of

trade asserted last night that they are jubilant over the opening prices and the manner in which the season was launched locally. There were many farmers who followed sales yesterday who had no tolereco on the floors. They were on hand merely to observe in order that they may decide upon future ac-The results, Mr. Burch said last night, were convincing, leaving little loubt but that the Darham market is to be a pace-maker.

Complaints among the grawers were negligible. There were a few instance. have been a suspicion that he was in which growers thought the price low. The big majority, however, ex-pressed the belief that prices outdid all expectations. It was predicted has right that by Wednesday tolered will

be literally pouring into the city. THREE BLACKS WERE BESIEGED BY A MOB

(By The Associated Press)

Chicago, Sept. 29.—Three negroes were besieged for more than an hour in St. Gabriel's church on the south side tonight, by a mob of a 1,000 per ons after the negroes had killed a white man, Charles Barret, who is said to have gone to the rescue of a white girl They were insulted by the negroes. rescued and placed in jail when squads of policemen were sent to avert a pos-

sible race riot. Chief of Police Garrity ordered the entire police force mobilized and placed several hundred extra police over around he scene of the trouble, which was at southeast corner of the stockyards where several thousands of negroes re employed. Shortly after Barret had been killed.

three negroes were dragged from street car two blocks away and severely The south side "black belt" the cene of disastrous race riots a year ago vas paced under heavy guard, as was

the stockyards quarter. INVESTORS ARE HOLDING WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Washington, Sept. 20 .- Approximate percent of all war savings scamp and by the treasury since the outbreak he war are still retained by investors. ecording to figures made public to

The treasury department shows that ince the government placed the small counties on the market sales meanted to \$1.168,200,000. tions to the middle of September hav generated slightly more than \$360,

Ontstanding stamps and certificates were said to be distributed evenly and little exceptation of further heavy—re-

lemptions until maturity was expected. ROOSEVELT SCORED THE

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

Troy, N. Y. Sept. 20.—At a luncheon meeting of Democrats here today Franklin D. Roosevelt, Democratic view president nominee, scored the Republi-can candidates for Tailing to "stand on their own feet. He charged that if elected they would be "merely the fig-ureheads through which the 'powers' of the party, would work in the actual

government of the country. The attitude of Republican speak ers in many parts of the country is one he continued. "In dealing with the league of nations issue they make every attempt to mislead the

"In parts of the country where they campaign speakers try to get votes by warning that the league is calculated to strengthen France and condemn Germany to serve it. In districts such as northern New England they tell French-Americans, that the league, on the contrary, would fortify Germany, make her a greater power than ever and ruin

"In the same way they trifle with the subposens for President B. B. Johnson, once between Chairman Benson, of the of the American league, President John Shipping board, and Ambassador Mathievaller, of the National league, Jacob leu, of Chile. Agreements were not tariff question, telling interests benefitted by exactly opposed leu, of Chile. Agreements were not tariff policies that a republican administration offers them each the best against himself and only reached, the chairman said, as ministration offers them each the best against himself and only reached the trial and only prominent Ire-York Clants, and officials of the two it was necessary to refer the question chance of prospecity and increased pro-epidemic few people attended the trial

SHERIFF'S MURDER

He Went To His Death Weeping and Mumbling Preachers' Teachings

BICKETT IS FIRM

Pharr Is Working For Commutation of Death Sentence For Alexander

WAKE INVESTED HEAVILY

According To Winslow's Figures, \$314,000 In What Is Believed To Be Worthless Stocks

> By JULE B. WARREN. HERALD NEWS BUREAU 403 Merchants National Bank Bids

Raleigh, Sept. 20.-Rainh Connor. chief offender of a trie of orothers who killed Deputy Sheriff Lloyd Cloninger. of tredell county, more than a year ago went weepingly and helplessly to the electric chair this morning in the state prison without his brother, Sinclair, whese respite of 30 days broke the pair which the chair had drawn. The third Inother had been killed by the officer. Connor's electracution this morning was featureless save for the weeping bally that mysterious death awalting him, had made this great hulk of a Jack Johns in type of man. An hour with preachers in which they sang and prayed with him, bringing him as near exaltation as a wretch could get, failed to furnish the eestisy which might take the mind of the fellow off himself. When Warden Busbee opened the door and ordered the attendants to bring out the murderer, Conner emerged mum-ling the 23d Psalm, the Lord's Prayer, and "good-byes" as the slit of the beaty leathers parted for him. And when the big black was un-

chained from the chair, men who had men it plainly giving under the 2,200 examined it and found that it had been torn from its moorings. The frest legs had pulled through the timbers and the rear ones were weak and webbly. What would have happened had the first application of the curreal form the instrument free from

It took two of the heaviest currents hake the life from this powerful gro. He had no resistance when he ook his sout and terrifledly muttered his prayers. But the soured fire into his big body told what was going on. Even after a full min ite application of the fire. Connor's heart was going and a full shock again is necessary. The death chamber was overcrowded,

a few Iredell visitors being nere.

Ben Dixon MacNeill. News and Obever reporter, met face to face I. A. Vagner, schoolboy whom MacNeill Wagnet. had taught in the Iredell county institu-tions. Mr. Wagner had come down to see the execution and Mr. MacNeill to give a picture of it to his readers. Each was a little surprised to see the other. The crime for which Connor died tolay was the murder of Deputy Cloninger, who had gone to a church to quiet a trouble brought on by the Connors. The sheriff shot and killed one of the brothers a moment before Ralph Conner killed him. Sinclair Connor has seen absolved by his brother onspiracy to kill which the state aleged and on which conviction was rade pessible. Governor Bickett is

Working for Commutation. Representative Edgar W. Pharr, of Mecklenburg county, who is a kinsman of Et Alexander, of Iredell, under condemnation of death for the murder of Jim Rayle, has been here in furthernee of his efforts to have the death contence changed to life imprisonment, Bickett having reprieved Alexander until October 15

toking into that aspect of the case be

Mr Pharr did not find Governor Elekett here today, his excellency being n the eastern part of the state. The overnor's incontinent condemnation of dexander after an earlier indication of nis willingness to commute the one irmed wretch, has greatly upset the workers in behalf of Alexander. Governor Bickett declares that at he time he expressed his disposition toward clemency he had read nothing in

he record. Since a persual of the cony him in setting aside the verdict of the jury and the judgment of the court Dr. James K. Hall, Richmond alienist, onally to the governor the benefit of a ife time acquaintance with Alexander and a study of crime as expert. But hovernor Bickett thinks Dr. Hall holds the thereapeutic or medical causation of crime, which he says may be corire agains. Dr. Hall on that theory. The supreme court found no reverside error, but since it gave its opinion,

numbers of the court have that in refusing to allow Dr. Hall to testify to some of the answers given by Alexander to Dr. Hall in the mental tests, Judge Shaw did make an error. So strongly do four of the justices on the supreme court bench feel that the risoner did not get the benefit of all ircumstances in mitigation of rime, they have written letters urging dovernor Bickett to interfere. But the governor does not take this as a part of the record justifying interference.

Then Judge Shaw, who tried the are, said after the jury found Alexanher gailty, that he had hoped for a ver-fiel in the second degree and that the mry would find that while Alexander new right from wrong he was incyable of premeditating and deliberatg. ingredients of murder in the first degree. With these circumstances to offere the governor the defense is appalled at his immovableness, when so With these circumstances to often without judge, jury, county offier or substantially any request from invlidity he has commuted sentences.

The defense is not without hop? though. It does not believe that coluntary action of the four highest court officers, the opinion of the great awyer, E. T. Cansler, who declined to defend Alexander on the belief that the nurder was absolute, then after reading the testimony urged commutation, and the appeals of many prominent Irc-(Continued on page Four)