BIG WATER SPOUT CHASES STEAMER

LINER ABOUT 800 MILES OUT OF NEW YORK WHEN SPOUT WAS SIGHTED.

VESSEL HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Passengers Make Bets on Result Before Realizing That Tie Meant Instant Death.

New York.-The stc y of a gigantic waterspout which chased the Cunard Liner Carmania half an hour and then suddenly subsided when it was almost upon the hard driven ship, was told by officers and passengers when she arrived after a round trip to the Near East.

The liner was about 800 miles out of New York when the spout was first sighted. At first, passengers said, it appeared as a slight disturbance of water about eight miles astern. Then the waves were twisted and churned and hurled skyward with terrific force in an ever increasing volume. For a time, they stated, it stood still while Captain Melson, after pronouncing it Good Progress Made in Central South a big waterspout, ordered the liner sent ahead at full speed. At almost same moment, the spout seemed to take wings and rush after the big

The passengers crowded aft. Smoke belched from the ship's funnels while the Carmania strained every atom of her strength to escape. As the spout traveled it grew larger. It widened rapidly and towered high in the air, throwing off spray.

As first the passengers thought that it was just a wonderful phenomena. They began to bet on its speed, on whether it could catch the boat, or Then, as it towered in the Carmania's wake, gaining rapidly, it suddenly occurred to the passengers that it carried certain death with itthat the race was one for life.

The spout continued to gain until it was almost upon the ship. The passengers, huddled awe-stricken, along the decks watching the oncoming mass of water. It had only to reach out for the ship-and it subsided as suddenly as it had risen. Five min utes after there was nothing to show there had been any disturbance of the placid ocean

Captain Melson smiled when he was asked about it.

"I'll never tell what would have happened if it had caught us," he said. "In fact, I never could have told. We would have been listed as missing on the marine register."

Cases Facing Supreme Court.

Washington.-The legality of army "plucking boards," the illegality of transportation of liquors through the United States while en route to less arid jurisdictions, and the usual set of tax cases, are among the actions to be presented before the supreme court in the 40 hours remaining of the time designated in the present term for oral judgment. The court's plans are said to fix a date early in June for final adjournment and April 28 as the last day for hearing oral arguments on cases now on the calendar.

Among the cases which probably will be called this week is that of the Baltimore club of the defunct Federal league against the present majo leagues charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust laws.

Foreign governments as well as officers are interested in the .construction the supreme court will

Washington.-With appropriate ceremony, the American Forestry association planted a memorial oak in front of the house in Glen Echo, just outside of Washington, in which Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, died Easter Sunday, 1912.

Aviator Killed in Nose Dive. Galveston, Texas,-Capt. G. S. Little

and Sergeant James L. Johnson, army flying from Kelly field, San Antonio, were killed here when the airplane in which they were flying went inta a \$1,000,000,000. Eliot Wadsworth, asnose dive at a height of about 100 feet.

Officers at Love Field who are clared in a speech here. investigating the accident believe that Captain Little was piloting the machine. The accident occurred near a private landing field and it is believed the aviators intended to make landing when the plane dropped to the ground.

Lloyd George at Conference. announced that his aim at the Genoa conference is to bring into being a nact among the 34 nations represented. agreeing not to invade one another's territories.

Britain is against a pact with mfiitary sanctions, it is declared, because sanctions belong to the order of ideas that an endeavor is being made to get away from, and guar antees would mean a new grouping of the powers. The military holiday idea is not practical.

BOG INCREASE SHOWN IN AMERICAN EXPORTS

Washington -- Increase in value of America's foreign trade was re ported here by the Department of with announcement Commerce, that exports last month aggregated \$382,000,000, the highest since Octaber, 1921, and that imports to talled \$258,000,000. th since December, 1920. the greatest

The trade balance of 74,000,000 in favor of the United States shown by the figures is the great est since November, 1921, when the total was \$83,000,000. The trade balance in February was \$35. 000,000 and in March, 1921, \$135,

Exports last month compared with \$387,000,000 during March 1921, and were nearly twice as great as the pre-war figure of \$187,-000,000 in March, 1914.

Imports in March compared with \$252,000,000, a year ago and with \$183,000,000 in March, 1914.

GRAIN PLANTING IS DELAYED

BEHIND THE AVERAGE SEASON.

Carolina and South Eastern North Carolina.

most of the interior valley states, ac- let the house know. states was favorable to field work.

throughout the interior of the coun-

view stated.

Seeding made good progress in

Conditions were somewhat more favorable for field work in Alabama and Mississippi, but the wet soil held planting mostly at a standstill in the western part of the belt, where dry weather and sunshine are much needed.

Seeding is being delayed in Texas, where little has been accomplished outside of the Rio Grande valley and the lower coast counties. The condition of the cotton planted, however, is fairly satisfactory except for some damage by high winds.

Arbuckle Freed of Manslaughter. acquittal was returned by a jury in the third trial of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle on a manslaughter charge growing out of the death of Miss American prohibition enforcement ginia Rappe, motion picture actress. The jury was out six minutes.

The denefdant was deeply affected. place in two cases brought under He received the verdict with a great the Volstead law to blage transportation of liquor through the United stration, the court having warned is 22, disclosed definite plans here States. The devisions of lower fed against it. Mrs. Minta Durfee Argundary for using part of the fortune. She eral courts were conflicting. quietly. Both she and Arbuckie shook American surgeon who has an ambihands with the jury.

The quick return of the jury was surprise.

Edward Brown whose presence on the jury was objected to by the prosecution, war foreman. There was a slight delay when the jury returned, due to the absence of the disabled former service men, district attorney.

United States Owes Much Money. Chicago.—The United States owes 23 times as much money now as in

We are just standing still financially equaled our revenues.

-Premier Lloyd George has W. A. Law Heads Insurance Company. Philadelphia. — William A. Law has offered his resignation as president of the First National bank of Sir Keith, had plannedto start from Philadelphia, effective June 30, to ac- Croydon April 25 on a flight around tual Life Insurance company.

No successor has yet been chosen land. to fill the vacancy that will result Lies when Mr. Law's resignation as head who was planning to accompany Sir subject on the high seas. of the bank becomes effective. The Ross and his brother on their aroundmatter will be considered by the di- the-world flight, also was killed. rectors in the near future. It is ex-

OPPOSES CUT OF NAVY PERSONNEL

HARDING OPENLY DECLARES HIS OPPOSITION TO A CUT BELOW 86,000.

PRESIDENT WRITES LETTER

Says He Believes Country Will Be Greatly Disappointed at Proposed Reduction.

Washington. - President Harding, n his first public utterance on the 1923 naval bill, declared in a letter presented to the house that while the decision must lie with Congress, he would be greatly disappointed as he believed the country would be, if the enlisted

force was cut below 86,000. The opinion was not sent gratuitiously. It was given in response to a request for the President's view by SEEDING OF SPRING GRAIN IS Representative Longworth, republican, Ohio, one of the leaders in the fight to defeat the proposal in the bill limiting the force There had been unofficial statements to the effect that he opposed a drastic reduction in personnel, and that he stood for the figures proposed in the McArthur amendment.

In presenting the letter toward the close of an all-day debate, Mr. Washington. — Seeding of spring Longworth said he was glad to acgrains is very much behind the cept the challenge from friends of average season as a result of frequent the measure as framed to find out rainfall for more than a month in what the President wanted and to

riculture. Very little spring wheat ter of inquiry addressed to me on of murders in the large cities. or oats was seeded during the week, the tenth instant. If I were to adalthough seeding made good progress dress the Congress formally I could light rainfall in the Atlantic coast informally, because I am well per- ton 102 and Washington 69. suaded that it is not wise to make the measure now pending.

planting made satisfactory progress must believe in the good latth of justice would be most of the southeast, but was advisers who say very emphatically served.

delayed by wet soil in the lower Mississippi Valley.

The week was favorable for the the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the standard set for our navy which judges who are afraid of the power than the s lieve the country will be greatly dis- news. appointed, if the appropriation, to which the navy must and will adhere, is reduced to the point where the limitation of enlisted men and sentation of the situation, which has ter that opinion.

trend toward peace and security ought to be more firmly established before going beyond the limitation to which we were gladly committed at the international conference. "Very truly yours

"WARREN G. HARDING."

Girl Millionairess Seeks Surgeon.

Hospital Facilities Approved. Washington.-The house bill, auof \$17,000,000 for hospital facilities for passed unanimously by the senate.

Fewer Spindles Now

Washington.-Almost 2,000,000 few er cotton spindles were operated 1917, when the public debt was about during March than in February, although cotton consumption for March February, the monthly cotton report "This huge debt we must pass on of the census bureau issued disclosed. to future citizens," he said. "For Of the increase for the month, 84,000 to future citizens," he said. "For of the increase for the month, 84,000 the killed Fifty rifles were found con-this reason it is the intention of the bales were consumed in cotton grow- cealed under the earth of the ceme- flood situation. financial leaders of our government to ing states, where consumption was pay all new debts from current funds. the largest of any month since the out officially here. first quarter of 1917, and amounted to during March.

Sir Ross Smith Falls to Death. London.-Sir Ross Smith, the Australian aviator who, with his brother. crashed in a practice flight at Brook-

Lientenant Bennett, an engineer, The machine which crashed was the SLIGHT DECREASE IN RETAIL COST OF FOOD

Washington .- A decrease in the retail cost of food to the average family in March as compared with February was reported by the bureau of labor statistics of the department of labor. Prices as of 43 food articles in 51 important cities were considered. Seventeen of these articles showed decreases ranging from less that five-tenths of one per cent to 34 per cent on strictly fresh butter, 21 articles increased less than five-tenths of one per cent on cheese to 11 per cent on oranges and six articles re-

remained unchanged.

During the year, March 15, 1921, March 15, 1922, the bureau added, the average decrease in the retail prices of these foods was 11 per cent, 35 articles declining and eight increasing. In the nine-year period ending March 15, the average of increase was placed at 43 per cent.

JUDGE GEMMILL THINKS THAT IT WOULD GO FAR TOWARD REDUCING CRIME.

Speedy Trial For Criminals Advocated By Speaker of Bar Association Committee.

Chicago. - Revival of the whipping post, Judge W. M. Gemmill told the cording to the weather and crop review issued by the department of ag. "I have to acknowledge your letging tended to reduce crime, and pre- quired to set them ablaze.

In 1921, his figures showed that St.

A speedy trial for criminals was ad-Warm weather and wet soil caused so drastic a cut in the naval aparaged trial for criminals was authorized to reduce crime by Herbert which soon reached Liberty street, one of the oldest business streets of the hards propriations as has been proposed in Harley, of Detroit. "In the majority town, One block on Liberty street, one of the oldest business streets of the of cases the criminals are apprerendtry, and satisfactory conditions and progress were reported in the southern and Atlantic coast states.

"I do not doubt the good faith of ed but it is months before they are given a trial and even longer in many church was also destroyed. ern and Atlantic coast states.

Germination and growth of corn was favored by high temperatures in the southern districts, but much resouthern districts, but much resourced with every consistent effort the southern districts and the committee majority in believing given a trial and even longer in many cases before they start paying the gas tank owned by the Municipal gas plant was doomed, but the gas was doomed by means of safety valves. planting will be necessary on low-lands in Texas because of floods. Corn lands in Texas because planting made satisfactory progress must believe in the good faith of justice would be more efficiently was still blazing stubbornly in several

"Of course the decision must lie ever, the newspapers are not responsi-

Presents Tariff Bill to Senate.

Washington.-The long awaited administration tariff bill was presented apprentices is below 86,000, No pre- in the senate. Senator McCumber, republican, North Dakota, in charge of by hundreds of close friends at the come to my notice, has served to all the measure, announced that to give news of his death. senators time to study it, he would not "Ultimately, perhaps, the lower figures proposed may be reached and I hope it will be possible through those it will be possible through the passed after about 50 days of debate, the was born in this city on March 20. When Form but other estimates ranged as high as

Workers Must Pay Rent.

New Orleans .- Three thousand government employes of the Panama Cahouses in the Panama Canal zone, the United States circuit court of appeals San Francisco.—Miss Delora Angell, decided here in denying the petition 20, of Pasadena, who will come into of Harvey McConnaughy, representing possession of \$25,000,000 left by John the workers, for an injunction to re-

Two Soldiers Are Killed.

north of here. The cause of the explosion is not known, but it is be- ber becaue she violated the rule. thorizing an additional appropriation lieved that sparks falling into the pit ignited the combustibles.

fantry from Fort Sam Houston.

French Soldiers Die in Explosien. Paris.—Eleven French soldiers were killed and ten tajured in the explosion tery. This information was given

the explosion.

Charged With Killing Captain. Street Car Service Resumed. Key West, Fla. -Federal offivers here were notified that the state department at Washington had granted Corporation came to an agreement and the British request for extradition of the street cars, which have been in the cept the presidency of the Penn Mu- the world, was killed when his plane Vernon Bracklehurst, who as mate of barn for a month, will resume operathe British schooner, Lewis Brothers, tions. The cars were halted because is charged with having murdered its unrestricted competition by fitneys master, Capt. J. B. Chute, a British had cut deeply into the company's rev-

Bracklehurst, born under the British flag, but a naturalized American ney operations to the extent of not citizen, is alleged to have killed Cap- allowing them to take on or discharge pected he will continue as a member one the Smiths had intended to use tain Chute, well known in marine cir- patrons within one block of streets on which street car tracks are bid.

FIRE SWEEPS AREA OVER MILE LONG

MORE THAN 100 HOUSES ARE BURNED AT BERKLEY, VA., A SUBURB OF NORFOLK.

LOSS IS NEARLY \$1,000,000

Hundreds of Families Estimated to Have Been Left Homeless in Seaport Town.

Norfolk, Va.-Berkley, a suburb of Norfolk, was swept by a fire which destroyed more than 100 houses, covering an area one mile in length and average from two to four blocks in width. Five hundred families are estimated to have been made homeless ST. LOUIS LEADS IN MURDERS and the damage will run to nearly a nillion dollars.

> The blaze originated in the Tunis umber mills, on the southern branch of the Elizabeth river. A woman whose husband is a watchman at the Tunis docks, discovered the fire from a houseboat in which they live.

> Within forty yards of the dock where the fire started are the St. Helena Oil company docks. steamers in the river were burned, catching fire from sparks.

The fire quickly spread to the north, the sparks being carried a hundred vards or more. Most of the committee on law enforcement of the houses in the path of the fire were American Bar association, would have negro homes, and were of wooden cona great effect on the reduction of struction. They were as dry as tinrime. He cited examples where flog. der and a few sparks only were retime there were nine fires blazing in different places simultaneously.

Although the fire departments, both Louis had 426 murders, Philadelphia civilian and navy, from all the cities in the upper lake region and the say only what I have already said 346, New York 261, Chicago 206, Bos- and towns in the vicinity of Berkley, were called into service, they were helpless against the spreading flames, town. One block on Liberty street

parts of the town.

Samuel M. Brinson Dead.

New Bern-Hon. Samuel M. Brinson preparation of soil and the planting of cotton in most eastern districts of the press. If less crime and more tional conference, and which stand-constructive news was printed the efthe belt, the weather and crop reard we have proclaimed to the world. fect on crime would be large. How Bern General Hospital, following a critical illness there since he came Seeding made good southeastern sections, northward during the central counties of North Carobase the Congress, but I should not ble for this condition. They are instible frank in replying to your intuitions for the purpose of making quiry if I did not say that I shall money and they are giving the public of failing health that dated back to the close of the campaign in 1918.

This city is under a pall of deep grief a tthe passing of Sam Brinson. And with the feeling of distince loss there is felt here, messages have come from out in the state and nation expressing the universal sorrow

Mr. Brinson was serving his second term in congress and had indicated 1870 and was educated at Wake Forest college and the University of North Carolina, being admitted to the bar in 1895. He practiced law until 1902, when he became superintendent ernment employes of the Panama Ca-nal and Panama railway must pay the government rent for the use of their houses in the Panama Canal zone, the sixth congress.

Girl Students Win.

Corning, Ark.—Miss Pearl Pugsley W. ("Beta-Million") Gates when she strain the government from collecting was ready to resume her studies in the Knobel school for of a verdict in her favor by Judge W. W. Bandy in the "lipstick" case here. San Antonio, Texas.—Two soldiers Judge Bandy said he would issue a tion to maintain a hospital for the were killed and nine seriously burned writ of mandamus to have the school when pyrotechnics exploded in a pit board set aside its regulations barring during an exhibition at Camp Bullis, students who use cosmetics. Miss Pugsley was suspended last Septem-

In his decision, Judge Bandy held that face powder did not interfere with The soldiers were from the 17th in- the health of the pupils and they could use it if they wished.

> Covered by Flood Water. New Orleans .- Reports from Helena,

killed and ten injured in the explosion Ark., that approximately 235 square Sunday near Gleiwitz, when a bomb miles of land in the lower part of was detonated in a graveyard by the Phillips county were covered by flood sistant secretary of the treasury, de- was about 46,000 bales more than in soldiers who were searching for hid- waters from the White and Arkansas den arms. The guardian of the church rivers, which are backed up by the who was in the cemetery, was among high stage of the Mississippi river, the killed Fifty rifles were found con- gave a more serious aspect to the

The village of Melwood, in the flood ed area, was reported covered with A commission of inquiry has been from eight to ten feet of water, while as our expenses this year just about 65 per cent of the total cotton used appointed to establish the cause of Elaine is completely surrounded by the street:

Augusta, Ga,-City council and the Augusta-Aiken Railway and Electric

enues. The city now agrees to restrict fit-

CONDENSED NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Charlotte.-Roy Page, son of form er Commissioner George A. Page, was fined \$300 by Judge Webb in the United States supreme court in the case charging him with having contraband whiskey.

Spencer.-Ground was brokenn for erection of a new house of worship for the congregation of Christ Lutheran church in East Spencer which is to be built at a cost of \$20,000 to \$25,-

Salisbury .- Tiring of the office of olicitor of the Fifteenth district, after eight years of hard service, Hayden Clement, of this city, announced that he will not seek re-election .

Winston-Salem. - The directors of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., elected Richard G. Stockton, secretary and assistant trust officer to succeed Gilbert T. Stephenson, who is soon to be transferred to Raleigh to have charge of the new branch of the company to be opened there.

Charlotte.-W. S. Creighton, traffic manager of the Charlotte Shippers' and Manufacturers 'association, has been named by the Southern Traffic League as North Caolina member of the finance committee charged with raising \$25,000 for the South's before the Interstate Commerce Commission regarding southern rates.

Reidsville. - The Reidsville Rotary club's worries over securing a suitable site for the proposed playground for local children ended when the Reidsville school committee informed the Rotarians that part of the site of the proposed new high school building would be gladly offered for use as a playground.

Wilmington-The fishermen are getting busy. A few beautiful white shad and rockfish have been caught and a few more warm days will bring swarms of these fish to this mar-

Winston-Salem. - Group 5 of the Bankers' association of North Carolina held business and social sessions here at the Robert E .Lee hotel. The ousiness session opened at 4 o'clock, with a large attendance. The address of welcome was delivered by Col. W. A. Blair, of the Peoples bank.

Trov.-At a recent meeting of the directors of the Montgomery county chamber of commerce the president and secretary were authorized to secure a whole-time secretary for the organization. This organization recently begun on a small scale, has grown to the extent that such an officer is needed.

Greenville.-Prof. June Rose, superintendent of the Greenville public chools, was elected vice-president of the North Carolina Parent-Teacher association, according to a message he eceived from Miss Catherine Albertson, corresponding secretary.

Reidsville.— There is considerable activity in the building line here now. Good progress is being made in completing the Presbyterian church, and the contractors on the Belvedere hotel are rushing work in an effort to complete the job early in June.

Maxton.-Former Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels will speak at Carolina college finals on Tuesday May 30, at 11 o'clock in the morning The community at large is interested in his coming, and the college feels particularly fortunate that Mr. Daniels honors it with his presence and speech.

Reidsville.-The city school board met and inspected the plans submit-ted by Architect W. C. Northup for the new high school building. A resolution was passed accepting the plans and authorizing the architect to call for bids for constructing the same, the work to be started as early as pos-

Statesville. - Dr. Edward King, prominent physician of Sharpsburg township, who suffered a stroke of paralysis while attending a local the ster four weeks ago, died in one of the local hospitals, where he had been since he was stricken.

Durham .- John Martin and Geneva McMillan, negroes, charged with murder and accomplice, respectively, in connection with the death here of William Sloan, an aged white man of Jonesboro, were bound over to supe for court without bail.

New Bern - Joe Dixon self-confess ed burglar, who was convicted of burg lary in the first degree in the criminal court here, was sentenced to die in the electric chair on Tuesday, June 15 by Judge Frank A. Daniels.

Wilmington. - Modification of the regulations imposed upon fishermer were asked by the Fish and Shrimi Catchers of New Hanover county be for the State Board of Fisheries in session here. Protection of the small or fish and oysters were also re

Is Backache Crippling You?

Is that dull, nagging backache making it hard for you to get around? Are you lame, sore and tortured with sharp, rheumatic pains? It's time, then, you gave some attention to your kidneys! A persistent backache is often Nature's first signal of kidney weakness. You may have headaches, dizziness and annoying bladder irregularities, too. Kidney troubles, if treated early, are usually easily corrected. Begin now with Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's have helped thousands and should help you. Ask your neighbor!



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Too Much Talk. "Why did the lady member of the legislature resign?" "Couldn't stand the gab."

STRENGTH--VITALITY--

A Message to People in Poor Health Who Want to Be Well

If you are in poor health merely from a general run-down condition get some Gude's Pepto-Mangan of your druggist and take it with your meals for a few weeks or until you feel right again. Pepto-Mangan is a wonderful tonic and blood-builder and is very pleasant to take. It does not act like a miracle. Its effects are gradual, but real and sure. It contains iron in a form easily digested and absorbed by the system. For thirty years Gude's Pepto-Mangan has been used by physicians as a tonie for run-down people. Don't continue to be weak, nervous, and headachy—take Gude's Pepto-Mangan and restore your good health. Thousands have been helped back to health by it-you can be benefited if you will accept this truth and act now. Sold in both liquid and tablet form. -Advertisement.

Facts are usually not as interesting as the rumors.



Mrs. G. W. Tidwell Atlanta, Ga.—"About a year ago 1 was preparing to go to the hespital to Had been sick and suffering two years, had dizzy spells, suffered from headache, constipation and a despondent feeling all the time. Had tried many different remedies and got no better. I got to a drug store one day and was talking to the druggist about my condition. He handed me a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and said, 'I think that will help you.'
Before I had taken all of that one bottle I felt like a new woman. Now I can say, along with thousands of other women, that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription cured me."—Mrs. G. W. Tidwell, 67 Hampton St.

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