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EDITORIALS
Germany is now trying to get the United States to intercede in her behalf with the Allies for a settlement.

The rumors of war between the United States and Japan are breaking out afresh—this time the reports say China will be the cause of trouble.

We would call the attention of the City Commissioners again to the condition of the buttments at the bridge and suggest that they give some relief.

There has been a great deal said the last few months about the County's delinquent tax list for 1920 amounting to the unreasonable sum of \$18,000 to \$20,000. It looks to us it would be a good idea for the Commissioners to publish this list for more reasons than one.

One of the most dangerous things the City government is allowing to continue in Louisburg, to say nothing about the annoyance and cleanliness, is the practice of driving cows on the streets unroped. They are driven in herds of varying numbers by possibly one little boy who has stopped somewhere to play marbles, and allowed to traverse the sidewalks, run little children into the streets, and fill the walks with nuisance, besides damaging flower gardens, etc.

We take the liberty of again calling the question of a public cotton yard to the attention of the County Commissioners. It occurs to us that this is a most necessary matter and since it can be established practically at no cost to the county, except a small amount of time to pass a resolution we feel like some action should be taken.

yard as anyone else. Also so that any farmer, or all farmers can haul their cotton to the yard and unload it before it is sold and feel free that he is using his property. It would save the farmers a lot of time and worry from standing about the streets, relieve the public streets of a much crowded condition, and be an advantage to any who want to buy cotton. Let's have some action on the matter Monday Mr. Commissioners. You will be doing your constituents a great service.

THE USUAL TRICKS.

As will be seen from the following extract taken from a Washington correspondent of the News-Observers the republicans are up to their usual tricks: Washington, April 23.—There is talk among some of the North Carolina members of Congress of a plan that is understood to be in the minds of Republicans to keep North Carolina from securing an extra member of Congress based upon its standing under the 1920 census, if the membership of the House is held at the present number, 435.

The Republican proposition is understood to be that Vermont should have the extra member, that the excess in that State while but 55,000, is a larger per cent of the total population of Vermont than is the North Carolina excess to its total population. This was the trend of testimony given recently in a hearing on this matter, but it is clearly an unconstitutional position, for the constitution states explicitly that the representation in the House is to be based on population. North Carolinians are awake to the situation and if it ever develops any strength they will resist it to the uttermost, and they will have the support of every representative who is guided by the constitution.

IN MEMORY.

On the morning of April 18th, 1921, the Angel of Death visited a home in South Henderson and took from there a faithful Soldier of the Cross in the spirit of Bro. B. B. Collins. For many months he had been in ill health there fore the call to the Glory World was not unexpected although it was a shock to his friends.

Bro. Collins was a native of Franklin county, having spent his earlier days in the community of Sandy Creek Baptist Church of which he was a zealous member for many years. He was also a member of Sandy Creek Masonic Lodge No. 185 and was buried with Masonic honors in the beautiful little cemetery at Sandy Creek Church amid a host of sorrowing relatives and friends.

Although it is hard to part with loved ones and words cannot fill the aching void we feel that the bereaved ones should take comfort in the fact that the 63 years of the mortal body of the departed brother were spent in laying up treasures where moth and

rust doth not corrupt nor thieves break through and steal.

The deceased is mourned by a wife and ten children as well as three brothers and many relatives who have our deepest sympathy in this hour of grief.

DRIVER OF DEATH WAGON POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED

Thomas J. Smith Picks Out Tito Ligi As Man Who Had Wagon in Wall Street.

Scranton, Pa., April 23. Positive identification of Tito Ligi, arrested here last Tuesday on suspicion of complicity in the Wall street explosion last September, was made here today by Thomas J. Smith, of Brooklyn, employed in the legal department of an insurance company having offices in the New York financial district.

Smith picked out Ligi from a line of six prisoners as the man he had seen arguing with the driver of the death wagon shortly before the explosion. He later told newspaper men that a few moments after the blast, he saw Ligi rushing along Cedar street, near Nassau street and Broadway, urging two companions to hurry out of the neighborhood.

Smith, who formerly was a lieutenant in the New York fire department assigned to investigating incendiaries, said he was walking in Wall street toward Broad a few minutes before the explosion.

At about 11:55 a. m., he said, he was approaching the banking house of J. P. Morgan and Company when he saw a dilapidated wagon with red and black striped wheels in front of the United States office. Inside the wagon partly covered with newspapers, were two barrels and two boxes about two or three feet square.

"I thought it was a junk wagon," he said. "My attention was first called to it when I noticed two men standing near the horse's head, arguing. I crossed the street expecting to see a fight. One of the men was about five feet six inches tall, roughly dressed and of stocky build."

Turning to Raymond Clark, foreman on a construction job in the vicinity of the explosion, Smith asked if that description fitted the man that Clark had seen shortly after the blast. Clark, who also went to Scranton today, to see if he could recognize Ligi, but failed to do so, admitted that the general description fitted the man who a few moments after the explosion rushed up to him and shouted: "My God, my horse has been killed."

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