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NON-STOP FLIGHT ACROSS ATLANTIC

First Continuous Flight Made By Two British Officers in 16 Hours and 12 Minutes Without Mishap.

London Dispatch, June 14. Capt. Jinn Aleick and Lieut. Arthur W. Brown, in their Vickers-Vimy biplane, landed at Clifden, Ireland, this morning, completing the first non-stop airplane flight across the Atlantic. The trip from St. Johns, N. F., was made in 16 hours, 12 minutes, the distance being 1,900 miles.

The landing was made at 9:40 British summer time. The machine struck the ground heavily and the fuselage ploughed into the sand. Neither of the occupants was injured.

Much of the flight was made through a fog with an occasional drizzle. This hampered the airmen considerably during their journey.

Captain Alecock explained the silence of his radio instrument during the trip by saying that the wireless propeller blew off soon after the airplane left New Foundland.

"We were much jammed by strong wireless signals not intended for us," he added.

Alecock and Brown stood the trip well. The flight of the Vickers-Vimy biplane across the Atlantic was one of three notable and daring achievements by airmen.

To Captain Alecock and Lieutenant Brown goes the high honor of having made the first non-stop air passage of the Atlantic, the achievement going to the credit of Great Britain.

The Atlantic had already been spanned in an air journey, however, the feat having been performed by American naval officers in the seaplane NC.4 with a stop at the Azores en route from New Foundland to Lisbon, Portugal, the journey beginning May 16 and ending May 27.

Less successful, but no less daring than the achievement of the Vickers-Vimy pilot and navigator, was the recent flight by two other British airmen. Harry G. Hawker and Lieutenant Commander Mackenzie Grieve. On May 19 they covered more than half the distance across the Atlantic before being forced to alight in midocean. For nearly a week they were given up for lost, but finally before the news of their dramatic rescue was relayed ashore by a British destroyer.

AMERICAN TROOPS CROSS INTO MEXICO

To Prevent Firing From Mexican Side Into El Paso—Fighting Between Villa Followers and Federal Troops.

An El Paso, Texas, dispatch states that fighting between Villa followers and federal troops in Juarez was resumed late yesterday. The extent of the battle leads to the conclusion it may be a decisive action.

The 24th infantry, fourth battalion, crossed the international border at 11 o'clock last night. The fifth and seventh cavalry regiments crossed at three fords east of El Paso.

There were approximately 3,600 American troops on Mexican soil 10 minutes after they were ordered to make the crossing.

Col. Selah R. H. Tompkins, of the Seventh cavalry, was in command of the cavalry brigade which crossed at the fords and Colonel Hadsell was in command of the infantry. Two armored motor cars crossed the international bridge at 10:55. The reason given at military headquarters for ordering the troops to cross was to prevent firing from the Mexican side on El Paso.

Villa troops during the darkness looted a number of stores and houses. The federals claim to have 150 Villa dead and 60 prisoners.

ROBESON MEMBERS OF 81ST ON THE WAY HOME.

Brigade to Which Majority of Robeson "Wild Cats" Belong Due to Land June 20th.

The Robesonian has been advised by the War Department that the 321st infantry, 81st division, sailed from France on June 9 on the Manchuria and is due to land in the States June 20. The 322nd infantry of the same division sailed June 3 on the Matsonia and is expected to land at Newport News June 18, while the 324th infantry sailed on the Martha Washington June 7th and is expected to land at Charleston, S. C., June 18th.

The greater part of Robeson's settlement belong to the 321st infantry. However, a few from this county are attached to both the 322nd and the 324th.

—Mrs. Julia Deese is today celebrating her 88th birthday. Mrs. Deese has a remarkable tooth record, never having had the toothache and not one of her teeth has yet shown signs of decay.

ROAD BOND ELECTIONS.

Eight Townships of Robeson Will Vote June 18th on Road Bond Issues Totalling \$365,000.

Eight Robeson county townships will vote on road bond issues on June 18th. The townships and the amount of bonds each proposes to issue are as follows:

Red Springs, \$10,000; Maxton, \$100,000; Smith, \$75,000; Pembroke, \$50,000; Orrum, \$25,000; Gaddy, \$20,000; Howellsville, \$75,000; Shannon, \$10,000.

Very little opposition to these proposed bond issues has been reported from any of these townships, and the expectation is that each one will vote bonds.

As readers of The Robesonian know, five townships voted road bonds on May 20, as follows: Rowland, \$50,000; Parkton, \$20,000; Fairmont, \$60,000; St. Pauls, \$25,000; Lumberton, \$100,000.

Four more townships will vote on road bond issues on July 15, as follows: Lumber Bridge, \$20,000; Wishart, \$50,000; Thompson, \$60,000; Alfordville, \$60,000.

And so the fever continues to spread. Only eight townships of the county remain in which elections have not either been held, and are being voted, or elections ordered.

INTERNATIONAL SITUATION.

Stage Set For Closing Scenes of Peace Congress—Terms for Germans Reduced to Minimum.

The Associated Press gives the following summary: The stage is set for the closing scenes of the peace congress, so far as the Germans are concerned. Within a few hours it is expected that the Germans will be told the terms, brought down to an irreducible minimum on which the allied and associated governments are ready to take up relations on a peace footing with the new German republic.

The period of five days after delivery of the reply of the Allies to the German counter proposals has been fixed for the signature or rejection of the treaty.

It is intimated from Paris that Germany's admission to the league of nations is set for the "near future." Previous dispatches would indicate that the reply to Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau would merely state the conditions considered necessary for German entry into the league, such as fulfillment of the treaty terms and of Germany's international obligations, including reparations and the payment of the allied debts.

Important for Germany, as well as for the allied countries, is a plan outlined in the answer to the German counter proposals. This provides for civil, rather than military, administration of the region on the left bank of the Rhine. Under the proposal authority would be placed in the hands of a commission consisting of one member for each of the great powers, thus rendering unnecessary the maintenance of a large occupational force.

As Germany, under the terms of the armistice, stands obligated to pay the expenses of the military occupation of the Rhineland, the sums saved to her by the substitution of civil for military administration would be enormous.

Austria's reply to the treaty presented to her delegates is due Tuesday, but, as the treaty in its present form lacks many important clauses it is probable that a request for further tide would be favorably considered by the peace conference. The council of four will devote part of Monday to consideration of the remaining sections of the Austrian treaty and efforts are to be made to whip the document into form as expeditiously as possible.

Bolshevik and anarchistic disorders are reported from Switzerland. Two persons were killed and 17 wounded, according to official figures in a serious uprising in Zurich in which the prefecture was stormed, the hall of justice looted and the houses burned.

Some Farmers Curing Tobacco This Week.

Mr. T. J. Noblin of Barnesville, proprietor of the Star tobacco sales warehouse of Lumberton, is spending the day here on business connected with the local tobacco market. Mr. Noblin reports splendid tobacco crops down Barnesville way and that a number of farmers are curing tobacco this week. Other crops also are fine, Mr. Noblin says.

BOAT CAPSIZED IN RIVER; NINETEEN PEOPLE DROWNED.

A dispatch states that 19 persons are known to have been drowned in the Warrior river, near Tuscaloosa, Ala., last night when a gasoline launch turned over in midstream, throwing into the water a pleasure party of 53, and rescue parties were working to find 12 others who were missing, most of those drowned were women and children.

—Miss Fannie E. Jolly and Mr. Raymond C. Lamb, both of East Lumberton, were married yesterday at 3 p. m. at the home of Justice J. H. McNeill, 3 miles west of Lumberton, who officiated.

FINEST OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD ROADS

County Officials Should Press Claims For State and Federal Aid For Road Construction to Final Conclusion.

Mr. W. A. McGirt of Wilmington, president of the North Carolina Good Roads association, is urging upon county officials the importance of losing no time in applying for State and Federal aid in road construction and, when application is made, pressing the claims to an early and final conclusion. Following is a letter he has just sent to Robeson county commissioners:

"The most progressive counties in the State are availing themselves of the State and Federal aid for road construction and the commissioners of these counties are very active in pressing their claims for aid.

"It is the finest opportunity to build roads and highways at a minimum cost that road builders have ever had. Opportunities such as we now have are entirely new and unheard-of. Woe to the officials of any county who fail to submit their claims or applications for State and Federal aid at this time. After the applications are filed with the State Highway Commission, it is the duty of the officials charged with the conduct of the county's affairs to press the claims for State and Federal aid to an early and final conclusion. You will agree, I am sure, that officials who have not the time, the patience or the energy and courage to follow up their applications should retire and give way to men who will handle the business of the county in a business-like way.

"It is hard to conceive of any county falling at this time to seize every opportunity to build up and develop its resources.

"I feel that I am safe in stating that every county involved in the construction of the proposed Asheville, Charlotte, Wilmington highway is alert to the tremendous advantages that would follow the building of this great highway through the county. This highway would link up the mountain region, the rich piedmont section and the coastal plain, and would be the main artery for travel from Georgia and South Carolina. This highway would afford ample opportunity for the traveling public to see at close range the wonderful possibilities of this section of the State. Thousands of men and women would traverse this country going to and fro, mountains to seashore.

"Doubtless you have already applied for your share of the State and Federal aid and intend to press your claim vigorously.

"However, if for good reasons you have not filed your claim for aid with the State Highway Commission, I trust you will give the matter very careful consideration and send a committee to Raleigh at once with an application which will guarantee to your county the building of its link in the proposed State highway."

MEMBERS OF FARMERS UNION URGED TO ATTEND

A Meeting That Should Mean Much to Farmers of Robeson Will Be Held Here Tuesday.

A meeting that should mean much to the farmers of Robeson, as well as other business men, will be held in the court house here tomorrow (Tuesday) at 4 p. m. The meeting was called by Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator, and at the meeting the aims and purposes of the North Carolina Landowners' association will be presented by Mr. W. A. McGirt of Wilmington, vice-president and general manager of the association, and Mr. Clement S. Ucker.

One of the main things for which the association stands is farm ownership, and tenants, as well as landowners, should be interested in the movement. It will pay you to attend the meeting tomorrow.

I wish to urge all members of the Robeson division of the Farmers' union to be on hand.

F. GROVER BRITT, Secretary-Treasurer Robeson County Farmers' Union.

TRADED WIVES AND GAVE BOOT OF HALF-PT. BOOZE AND QUARTER.

That he had traded wives with another man and had given a half pint of whiskey and 25 cents to boot was admitted Friday on the witness stand in Superior Court at Smithfield by Iredell Wheeler, a white man, who was called to testify for the States in the cases against Jesse Hales, J. H. Evans, John Stancil and Spain Bailey, being tried on charges of having formed a conspiracy, which resulted in the shooting and the subsequent death of Deputy Sheriff J. Alf. Wall two months ago.

Charlie Morris, one of the men at the still on the fatal night and who turned State's evidence, testified that four of the defendants with Milford Hales, Adolphus Hales, Clyde Rose, Barton Pearce, "colored," and himself, were at the still and that defendants had planned to protect stills and resist arrest at all hazards and had provided amply sufficient guns, pistols and ammunition.

RED SPRINGS NEWS.

Two More Soldiers Return—Personal and Other Items.

Correspondence of The Robesonian Red Springs, June 12.—Mrs. C. G. Vardell and Misses Ruth and Mary Vardell have gone to Montreal for the summer.

Mrs. D. P. McEachern is spending some time in Thomasville on a visit to her sister Mrs. Archibald Johnson.

Miss Bettie Edens and Mrs. James Edens are in Columbia with Mrs. Edens' daughter Mrs. Jack Tomkins. Mrs. J. S. Jones has returned from a most enjoyable visit to relatives in Norfolk.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. McMillan have gone to Atlanta for a brief visit to their daughter Miss Genevieve.

Mrs. E. L. Cox and family will spend the summer at Montreal. She with her daughters, Misses Marie and Joe, have already gone and the others will follow in July.

Miss Hannah Townsend is at Jackson Springs this week attending a house party.

Her many friends were glad to welcome Mrs. Hubbard Kerr home on a short visit last week. Her mother, Mrs. J. L. Cooper, accompanied her to Clinton and from there will visit relatives in Greensboro.

Mrs. W. H. Sykes and Miss Bess Sykes are home from a visit in Fayetteville. They were accompanied by Mrs. Sykes, little grand daughter, Margaret and Elizabeth Blue.

Misses Almema and Martha McLeod are at home for the month of June.

Dr. R. D. McMillan is attending the medical convention at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Massie are attending V. M. I. commencement and from there will go to Lynchburg for a visit to Mr. Massie's parents.

Little Emma Sykes suffered a painful accident last Saturday when she fell from a fence fracturing her arm. She was carried to Fayetteville to have the arm x-rayed and is there at present under treatment.

Little Miss Mariam Watson experienced a like accident on Monday but came off lighter, having only the smaller bone in her arm broken.

Two more of our soldiers have returned from France—Messrs. Will Townsend and Henry McLeod. Both traveled extensively while "over there" and tell most interestingly of their experiences.

The Crescent theatre has been doing a big business ever since it opened but Thursday was a record-breaker. The Heart of Humanity was the attraction and the house was crowded to its capacity at both afternoon and the two night openings.

Mrs. Satterwaite, who has been quite ill for the past week is much improved, we are glad to state.

HINES SLATED FOR CHAIRMAN.

Charles A. Hines if Greensboro is slated for the job of chairman of the Democratic executive committee of North Carolina as a successor of Thomas D. Warren, of New Bern.

Mr. Hines is chairman of the Democratic committee of Guilford county, is an able member of the Greensboro bar and is an enthusiastic worker in the councils of the party. His methods and policies are decidedly progressive, and it is recalled that he ardently champions the cause of woman suffrage. He wrote letters to Washington urging both North Carolina Senators to support the Susan B. Anthony Federal amendment.—Washington Cor., June 13, Raleigh, News and Observer.

Mr. Hines formerly lived in Lumberton, being editor of The Robesonian for a short while about 1905.

SOLDIER JUST BACK FROM FRANCE TAKES HIS LIFE

Virgil A. Lawrence, aged 23 years, a soldier returning from France, took his own life by cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor Friday night while a passenger on a troop train near Lexington, this State, and his body was taken in charge by an undertaker at Salisbury. It is said Lawrence was in a state riom at the time and was alone. His dead body was found some minutes later by comrades who reported to the officers in charge of the train. A surgeon also on the train made an examination and reported death by suicide.

Robbers Entered Two Stores Last Night.

Robbers entered Mr. R. T. Sanderson's store on West Fourth street, and the grocery store and meat market operated by Messrs. Lytton and Deaton on South Elm street, last night. Entrance was made into both buildings by breaching out a window in the rear. A small amount of change, probably \$150, was taken from the cash register in the Sanderson store, while nothing was missed from the other place entered.

Mrs. J. S. Laney returned Saturday to her home at Monroe after spending a week here visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boyd, Eighth street.

PATRIOTIC PAGEANT.

Local Children Trained By Junior Chautauqua Leader Gave Delightful Performance Saturday Afternoon.

At the Chautauqua tent Saturday afternoon, just before the concert given by the Doughboys' quartet, a delightful patriotic pageant was given by a number of local children under the direction of Miss Friday, Junior Chautauqua leader. Notwithstanding the short time in which the play was gotten up, the children performed their parts well and learned in preparing for the play, and taught the audience, a fine lesson in patriotism. The following took part:

Katherine Boyd—queen. William Parmele—King. Amanda Allen—Spirit of Lumberton.

John Wishart—The Herald. May Johnson Poole—Spirit of America.

Boys in broom dance—Charles Boyd, James Nance, Lawrence Parmele, Frosty Deese, Robert Deese.

Girls in "looky-look" dance—Courtney Sharpe, Mary Julia Jones, Margaret Wetmore, Frances McNeill, Louise Kirkman, Helen Thomas, Kathleen Durham.

Ducks—Rachel Biggs, Margaret French, Mary Earl Kornegay, Sarah Hamilton, Helen Kirkman, Pauline Musselwhite.

Truman Parmele—Farmer. James Poole—Boy Scout. John Carter Cale—Bolshevik. Hazel Robinson—Junior Community girls.

Elizabeth Shaw—Thrift Stamp girl. Frances Poole—Italian dancer. Frances McNeill—Scotch dancer. Katherine Boyd—French dancer. Margaret Biggs—Irish dancer. Willie Pope—Waster.

LUMBERTON WILL HAVE CHAUTAUQUA NEXT YEAR

Chautauqua Here Last Week Pleasued the People and a Number of Citizens Have Agreed to Guarantee Chautauqua for Next Year.

Lumberton will have the Communities Chautauqua again next year. The five-days' program given here under a tent last week brought to Lumberton high-class talent for every one of the ten performances, and so well pleased were those who guaranteed the Chautauqua this year that they gladly agreed to stand responsible for it again, though they incurred a loss, and others also will sign as guarantors for another year.

The Chautauqua closed Saturday night with a concert which was delightful even though one of the "Doughboys' quartet" was sick and only three of the boys appeared, one of the boys, who was injured in France, suffering an attack which cut the afternoon program short and made it impossible for him to appear at all in the evening; and a lecture brim full of exquisite humor and philosophy by Strickland Gillian.

Recorder's Court.

Will King, white, and George Leach and Chas. Dillard, colored, were arrested by Chief of Police E. L. Hanna Saturday and placed in jail on the charge of being drunk on the streets. They submitted to the charge before Recorder E. M. Britt this morning and prayer for judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

A son of Mr. J. M. Butler of St. Pauls was tried before Recorder Britt this afternoon on the charge of running over a child of Mr. H. M. Barfield of St. Pauls on May 27. He was found not guilty. Mr. Butler claimed that the child was holding a cow in the road, that he ran out of the road to avoid running over him and that the child was hurt in the bushes. The child was not seriously hurt. Mr. T. L. Johnson represented the defendant, the firm of McLean, Varner McLean & Stacy representing the plaintiff.

THE RECORD OF DEATHS

Mr. D. N. Oliver Died Suddenly Yesterday at Dillon.

Mr. D. N. Oliver, about 60 years old, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home at Dillon, S. C., yesterday morning. He had been in his usual health, apparently. Deceased was a brother of Representative J. S. Oliver of Marietta. He was among the first settlers of Rowland, where he lived until 7 or 8 years ago, when he moved to Dillon. He is survived by his wife, who is a daughter of the late Rev. Jos. Evans and a sister of Mr. J. Browne Evans of St. Pauls and Dr. W. E. Evans of Rowland.

Mr. Agrippa Phillips, aged 75 years, died Thursday at his home in Wishart township of paralysis. Deceased is survived by his widow and several children.

Annie Neill, six-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Previtt, died June 4th at 11 o'clock a. m. of colitis.

HOME FROM THE WAR.

Lieut. Earl A. Thompson arrived home Saturday morning from Chicago, Ill., having received honorable discharge from military service.

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BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—The Twentieth Century Mother's club will meet at the home of Mrs. K. M. Biggs Tuesday afternoon, June 17, at 5 o'clock.

—Dr. R. S. Beam returned yesterday from Atlantic City, N. J., where he spent a week attending a meeting of the American Medical association.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Raymond C. Lamb and Fannie E. Jolly; Ervin J. Goodman and Arva Caulk; Jessie Miller and Lillie May Horne.

—Regular meeting of St. Alban's lodge No. 114 Tuesday evening at 8:30 at which time the annual election of officers will be held. A full attendance is desired.

—Miss Louise Townsend arrived home Saturday morning from Brevard, where she taught school during the past term. This was Miss Townsend's second year at Brevard.

—According to Mr. Foster Britt of R. 3 from Lumberton, who was a Lumberton visitor Saturday, it pays to advertise for twice he has advertised, "dog lost" and both times the dog returned at once.

—Mr. S. R. Barfield of R. 2 and Mr. Nash Townsend of R. 3 both brought green peas to town Saturday and sold them readily at 50 cents a peck. Mr. Townsend said he sold nine bushels and a peck for \$18.25.

—Miss Ruby Thompson has returned home from Queens college, Charlotte, where she was a student during the past term. She spent a week at Charlotte and Salisbury visiting relatives and friends before returning home.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McNeill, Jr., and children left Saturday morning in their auto for Montreal, where Mrs. McNeill and children will spend the summer at their summer home. Mr. McNeill will return to Lumberton in a few days.

—Misses Mary and Elizabeth Snead will leave tomorrow night for Washington, D. C., near which place they will spend the summer. The Misses Snead make their home during the winter with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Varner, here.

—Mrs. H. E. Stacy and small daughter returned Friday night from Hamlet, where they had been with Mr. Stacy since he underwent an operation in the Hamlet hospital a week ago this morning for appendicitis. Mr. Stacy's condition is improving most satisfactorily and rapidly.

—Mr. A. Weinstein left last night for Northern markets, where he will purchase a big line of ladies' ready-to-wear to complete his new ladies' department. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Hilda Weinstein, and his son, Mr. Max Weinstein. They will visit different points North.

—Miss Martha Flax Andrews, county home demonstration agent, returned Saturday from Raleigh, where she spent two weeks attending a meeting of the State home demonstration agents. Mrs. Daisy W. Jenkins went to Raleigh Thursday and accompanied Miss Andrews home, making the trip in an auto.

—Mr. Henry L. Pope returned Saturday morning from Richmond, Va., where he underwent several operations on his nose and throat for neuralgia. He will return to Richmond tomorrow night or Wednesday for further treatment. The condition of Mr. H. M. McAllister, who went to Richmond with Mr. Pope three weeks ago and is undergoing treatment for stomach trouble, is improving. Mrs. McAllister and small daughter, Jean, went to Richmond Saturday to be with Mr. McAllister.

—The Farmers Savings Bank, the new institution recently chartered by Mr. C. B. Townsend and others, will occupy the McLeod building on the corner of Elm and Fourth streets, having taken over the lease of the Alpine cafe, which closed its doors last week. The Alpine opened for business just before Christmas, being backed by several young business men if the town, but owing to the difficulty about getting a competent manager the venture did not prove as profitable as it promised, though the promoters did not lose money. The new bank is expected to begin business about the first of next month.

—Mr. S. M. Watkins of Oxford and Mr. C. J. Smith, Jr., of Henderson, under the firm name of Watkins & Smith, will be proprietors of the Farmers' tobacco warehouse of Lumberton this year. This is the warehouse which was operated so successfully last year by Messrs. Knott & Smith. The Mr. Smith of the latter firm suffered a severe stroke of paralysis some weeks ago and will not be able to resume business this season, much to the regret of his many friends in Robeson, for he is deservedly popular with Robeson tobacco growers. Mr. Smith Jr. and Mr. Watkins arrived here last week and will be in Lumberton practically continuously until the tobacco season is over.