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Washington, April 29.-Complete

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Yap as expressed by Secretary Hughes

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o other nations and it offered Italy's

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American note of the fifth of April concerning the equality of rights among

mandatories in the exercise of their

No Exclusive Privilege.

The full text of the Italian note fol-

"Italy is fully convinced that the Uni

ted States are not asking for any privi-lege in the Island of Yap which is not

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"Is ly seconded the Angle-French proposal which confided the study of the Yap question to the juridical com-

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attainment of the common end, which

consists in the realization of an era of

Request of State Department

For Consideration Meets

With Rebuff

barring the bid of the Standard Oil

Company for a concession in the Suma-

Washington, April 29.-"The solution

of the future oil problems throughout the world" lies in the application of

the principle of equal opportunity for the nations of all countries, the State

Department says in a note transmitted April 19 to the foreign office of the

Netherlands and made public here to-day. The note referred especially to conditions in the Djambi fields in the

Netherland East Indies and said that

"responsible and experienced American interests are ready and desirous to co-operate with the Netherlands govern-

in oil developments there.

In transmitting the note, William Phillips, the American minister at The

Hague, said. "My government finds no alternative

than the adoption of the principle of equally good opportunity with the pri-viso that no foreign capital may operate in public lands unless its government accords similar or like privileges to American citizens."

Names Minister To Salvador.

Washington, April 29.—President Harding today nominated Montgomery

Schuyler, of New York, to be minister

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## **BOOST HIS CLAIMS** FOR CHOICE PLUM

Asheville Lawyer Will Make Active Fight To Land Job As Circuit Judge

ASHEVILLE LAWYERS TO FURNISH HIM BACKING

Ex.Congressman Puts Hat In Ring In Washington With Flourish To Toss; Congress. man Hallett Ward Makes Speech Against Immigration Bill In New York

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By EDWARD E. BRITTON (By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 29, Enter now upon the scene in Washington J. J. Britt, of Asheville, one time member of Congress and one time assistant postmaster general. The allurement of pie counter is the responsible cause of his coming from the mountains of North Carolina to the Potomac lands about Washington monument, for these are lands now flowing with milk and honey for the Republicans who have the honey for the Repablicans who have the proper pull. And the news in North Carolina that Col. Ike Meekins had landed, that a soft berth had been found for Iredell Meares, that Dave Blair had been given his, all were tempting things to induce the office-seeking Republicans to Washington. And hence it has come to pass that exoffice Holder Britt is here, with the desire and purpose to get rid of the ex. The boosting that Judge William P. Bynum has had for the vacant judgship of the Fourth district circuit court of appeals does not in the slightest deter appeals does not in the elightest deter Mr. Britt. His hat is in the ring with Mr. Britt. His hat is in the ring with a flourish to the toss, for he, too, has backers. And did not the late Judge Jeter C. Pritchard inform Fresident Harding that when his post was vacant he wished Mr. Britt to have the job? And did not the two song of the departed judge come to Washington and fell the President of their father's wish? And then there is a delegation that is coming here next Monday or Tuesday from Asheville to further boost him for the job. That is the program, and

from Asheville to further boost him for the job. That is the program, and Mr. Britt proposes to put up a stiff fight to land the position.

In the delegation from Asheville it is said there will be Democrats as well as Republicans, the bar of Asheville and of other places will be represented, and there will be a general chorus of commendation for the Asheville man as the ideal appointes for the judgeship. Thus beginneth, or continueth, the case of Britt versus Bynum in the appeal for the job.

Mikking lest Flight

Fayetteville, April 20.—Lieut. Joseph E. Virgin and Lieut. Hardson J. Hartman, of the eighth acre squadron, United States Army, were instantly killed at Pope Field, Camp Brigg, near here this afternoon when the engine of the plane is thought to have died on a sharp turn and the machine, going into a side slip, crashed in a pine tree. The ship was being piloted by

the job.

Ward Speaks in New York

Congressman Hallet S. Ward of the
First District is back from a visit to
New York where he went to make an
address against the immigration bill
new before Congress. Mr. Ward spoke
in the Lexington theatre before a great
andience. It was an experience, he
said to address such a great audience,
for in North Carolina I have been sefor in North Carolina I have been secustomed to make speeches to from 12
customed to m to 75 people during the political cam-of Norman, Okla., while Lieutenant paigns, and it was a whaling big erowd that I addressed in New York when I Pa., where his father, John II. Hartspoke against the pending bill of imman lives. It was said tonight that the bodies will be forwarded to their

wilmington has a delegation here today, but it is not a delegation after
office for its members or any one else.
In it are James H. Cowan, the mayorelect of Wilmington, the Collector of
the port under the Wilson administration, whose resignation will be tendered
effective May 31, E. V. Taylor and Col.
Walker Taylor, of Wilmington. Their Walker Taylor, of Wilmington. Their mission was two-fold. One thing it was after was a consultation with a sculp-tor of note, J. W. Miller, of Baltimore, whom they will again see tomorrow, concerning the monument to be creeted in Wilmington in honor of the memory The avintors were engaged in a prac-tice flight in dropping messages at the for time of the accident. At an altitude of five hundred feet they wirelessed that they were coming down. At a height of of the New Hanover county men whose lives went out in the world war. Ten thousand dollars has been raised for

Another was to secure one or more Another was to sealed the state of the sealed about the bundred feet, it is said, the pilot the Cape Fear pageant to be held about middle of June. The request for these will be made to the Navy Department through Senators Simmons and Overthrough Senators Simmons Sinch Senators Simmons Simmons Simmons Simmons Simmons Simmons Simm will be made to the Navy Department swerved to one side, struck the tree-through Senators Simmons and Overman and Representative Lyon and it is hoped that there will be favorable response. The pageant of the Cape Fear-Wilmington to the saa-is expected Virgin's skull was crushed against the to attract a great crowd of visitors to gas tank. The engine of the plane was buried in the ground by the force of the fall.

Hammer on Committee Congressman William C. Hammer, of the Seventh district, who is a member of the District of Columbia committee of the House, has been put on two most important sub-committees, one that is to have charge of matters pertaining to the proposed merger of the two electric street railways, the Capital Traction company and the Washington Electric Railway. The first company is getting rich on the present eight cent car fare with four tokens for 30 cents, Congressman William C. Hammer, of ear fare with four tokens for 30 cents, while the other announces that it is losing money. The public takes the view that the fare ought to be five cents, and the two views are to be presented to the sub-committee, the other two members of which are prominent two members of which are prominent to be presented to the sub-committee, the other two members of which are prominent to be presented to the sub-committee, the other two members of which are prominent to be presented to the sub-committee to the first serious mishap of the kind that has ever occurred at Pope Field since its establishment, but the second airplane wreck to happen lawyers. The other sub-committee on which Mr. Hammer has been given place is that on education in the District. There is to be an expenditure of ten million dollars, with 186 school rooms needed in the District, and Congressman Hammer with two others is to

handle this matter. The curtain rings up tomorrow on the fight that Senster Hiram Johnson, of California, is to make on the confirma-tion of David H. Blair of Winston-Salem, as Commissioner of Internal California, is to make on the confirmation of David H. Blair of Winston-Salem, as Commissioner of Internal Revenue, the cause of Senator Johnson's opposition, being that he holds that Dave Blair with other Republican for attempted assault on a 14-year old white girl, was seized at the depot here tonight by a mob. They overpowered the sheriff and half a dozen deputies and took Hammonds, for, they said, the purpose of lynching him.

Hammonds was lynched at 7:45 p./m., the crowd hanging him to a telegraph pole.

(Continued on Page Two.)

#### Steel Trust Charged With Unfair Trade Practices

Formal Complaint Filed Against United States Steel Corpor-ation and Eleven Subsidiaries by Federal Trade Commission; "Pittsburg Plus Price" Particular Practice Com-plained of; Control of Ultimate Iron Ore Supply Also

Washington, April 29.-A formal complaint against the United States Steel Corporation and eleven subsidiaries companies, alleging unfair competition in interstate commerce, was insued teday by the Federal Trade Com-mission. Thus the Commission finally has decided that it has sufficient jurisdiction to take up the long standing complaints by various users of steel products and others against the alleged use by the corporation of the device konwn as "The Pittsburg plus price." It was announced, however, that the commission had divided three to two, Commission had divided three to two, Chairman Thompson and Commissioners Pollard and Nugent voting for issuance of the complaint, and Commissioners Gaskill and Murdock dissenting.

Many Complaints Made.

The Steel Corporation and its subsidiaries are given 30 days or until May 31, to make formal answer to the complaint after which the case will pro-

complaint after which the case will proplaint was issued under the Clayton anti-trust act and the law establishing the Commission, and the Commission's announcement said the case was "an outgrowth of conditions complained of by more than 2,700 monufacturers of steel in the Chicago, Duluth and Birmingham districts, by legislatures of three states, by several municipalities, and by chambers of commerce and many business organizations through-out the United States."

The Pittaburg plus price is described at length in the commission's announce-ment which says that under it all steel, except rails, whichever made, and whether made in United States

Airplane Smashes Into Pine

Tree at Pope Field While

**Making Test Flight** 

changing control from one pilot to an-

other or that the engine may have gone dead as Licutonant Virgin was

that the motor was in perfect condition

when the flight was started and that there was no defect in the steering gear.

Both Capable Aviators.

have lost their lives, the other occuring

in January, 1919, when Lieut. H. H. Pope, of Bedford, Ind., and Sergeant W. W. Fleming, of Providence, R. L., were killed by the fall of their plane into the Cape Fear river.

FOR ATTEMPTED ASSAULT

LYNCH MISSOURI NEGRO

banking on a tarn though it is said

Steel Corporation plants or by its in-dependents, is sold at the f. c. b. Pittsburg price, plus an amount equivalent to the freight to point of destination," and as an illustration says that this "meaus that the Gary steel fabricator "means that the Gary steel fabricator who runs his own truck to the Gary, Indiana, steel mill and purchases steel-manufactured at that plant must pay the price charged in Pittsburg plus an amount equaling freight rate from Pittsburg to Gary."

Controls Ultimate Source.

The complaint is not limited, however, to the alleged use of this device. It charges specifically that the Steel Corporation "owns and controls the ultimate iron over supply in the United

mate iron ore supply in the United and influence through the last percentdone by it and supported by it, its consequent potential power to embarrass or destroy its competitors by un-duly lowering its price schedules is tan-tamount to the naming by the Steel Corporation of prices that are to be charged by all the steel manufacturers in the United States."

The charges also are made that the Steel Corporation for at least seven years has issued from time to time price quotations and schedules covering rolled steel manufactured by its subsidiaries. and that these quotations are adopted by all of the respondent subsidiaries and their competitors substantially as their quotations of prices, and that this alleged practice of stoel manufacturers in fixing uniform prices succeeded the custom which formerly prevailed whereby such manufacturers openly met at intervals and agreed upon prices which they were to charge and maintain."

# AVIATORS KILLED

Resignation of Mayor-Elect Paves Way To Provide For Another Republican

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By EDWARD E. BRITTON.

(By Special Leased Wire.)
Washington, April 39.—Talk here as to
tife successor of James H. Cowan as collector of the port of Wilmington,
whose resignation becomes effective
May 31, is that the contest among the Republicans for this has three entries, Charles C. Chadbourn, S. M. King, and J. T. Trotter, with indications favoring S. M. King. In the postoffice fight two are mentioned, R. F. Tucker and E. H. Freeman, with no indication who leads in the contest. Col. Iredell Meares of Wilmington who is to be a special assistant to the Attorney General, it is understood, will report in Washington for assignment to duty about May 10th. It is learned that the House commitfavorably the resolution introduced by tepresentative Hallett S. Ward for a ension of \$12 a month to Mrs. Cornelia

A. Deal, of Franklin. She is the mother of the late L. A. Deal who died of disase contracted in the army in line of duty during the Spanish-American war. Congressman Zebulon Weaver has introduced a resolution in the House providing for the removing of the statute f limitations in the case of Mrs. Corey B. Moore, of Asheville, widow of C. B. Moore, who at the time of his death was clerk of the Federal court at Ashoville. The resolution has for its pur-pose that Mrs. Moore may secure the payment to her of fees and emoluments of the office held by her husband earned by him in the performance of his du-ties, these having been disallowed by the accounting officer of the Treasury would make it so tha The resolution

the case would have standing in the court of appeals. It involves several introduced a resolution providing for a \$12 a month pension for Joseph S, Penland, of Candler, Buncombe county, who was a member of the 11th regiment Tennessee volunteers in the war between he states. Mr. Penland is a blind man Homer Lyon has gone to is home in Whiteville, called there by the ill-ness of his wife. It is his hope to re-

turn within a week with Mrs. Lyon

and their children, if he finds that his wife has recovered sufficiently to come Washington at this time.
Mrs. Angus W. McLean gave a most delightful luncheon this afternoon at her residence, 1523 Rhode Island Avenue. She entertained a large party of friends and the afternoon proved a most happy one for each of her guests The floral decorations of the luncheon were table were exquisite. Both Mr. and Mrs. McLean have made great numbers of friends during their stay in Washing-

ton, to which they came during the World War when Mr. McLean was a

member of the War Finance Corpora-Among the North Carolina visitors to Washington today are Licutenant Governor W. B. Cooper of Wilmington, who is the guest of his brother, 'ol. Wade H. Cooper, one of Washington's leading hankers; Harry Stubbs, of Williamston, and V. B. Martin, of Plymouth; A. C. Zollicoffer and S. P. Cooper, of Hender-son; T. H. Tise, of Winston-Salem; W. C. Hudson, of Charlette; C. W. Blardon and A. G. Johnson, of Balcigh; R. B. Mason, of Durham; S. W. Kenney, John Kerr, Jr., and T. C., Taylor, of Chapel Hill; A. Berry, of Swan Quarter; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goereh and child of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tadleck of Tarbor.

ock, of Tarboro. Shriners To Attend Ceremonial.

Scotland Neck, April 29.—The Scotland Neck Shrine Club is planning to go to Raleigh next month in a body to take part in the Spring Ceremonial of Sudan Temple. Private Pullmans have already been ordered and the Nobles from this entire section are counting on a joyous holiday in the Capital City.

### AMERICA HOPEFUL UNITED STATES IN YAP CONTROYERSY

Complete Agreement With Po-Authoritative Information Secured Following Important Conferences

> FRANCE OBDURATE ON SINCERE IN POSITION REFUSING PROPOSALS

Neither Great Britain Nor Italy Reply To Note To Four Principal Allied Powers Expresses Reject German Offer As Basis For Further Discus-Belief That United States sion; Controversy Will Await Seeks No Special Privilege; Meeting of Supreme Council Offers Co-operation To Re-In London Today

Washington, April 29,-The American government still is hopeful that the reparations controversy between Germany and the allies can be settled by n his notes to the four principal allied discussion.

This was learned authoratively to night after the whole situation had been discussed by President Harding and his cabinet and Secretary Hughes had conferred with J. Jules Jusserand, the French Ambassador and Relando Ricci, the Italian ambassador.

Upon what administration officials based their hopefulness was not dis-closed. It became known, however, that neither Great Britain nor Italy had finally rejected as a basis for possibl on the German offer. France and Belgium were under

stood to hold that the proposals as such were unacceptable.

The impression gained ground here "Italy, therefore, has not hesitated to tenight that the next formal move in express herself in a way which com- the controversy would await the outthe controversy would await the out New of the allied Supreme council.
State Deparement officers refused to
say today whether the United States would have an unofficial observer at the

meeting of the Supreme council. The chief problem in the whole cou troversy, in the view here, is to de termine how much Germany can pay and make her pay that sum.

FRANCE MAY UNDERTAKE London, April 29.—(By the Associated Press) .- In the event of failure by France to receive the support of her allies, the French government will proceed alone to the occupation of the Ruhr region, arguing that Germany can as easily present new proposals after

express herself in a way which com-pletely agrees with the text of the American note of the fifth of April, inst., concerning the equality of rights among mandatories in the exercise of TO VOTE ON KNOX PEACE RESOLUTION LATE TODAY rights of everybody concerned be recog-nized always and everywhere, in the Island of Yap as well as in every other place and circumstance, with perfect Spirited Debate In Senate Fea tured By Democratic Mi. nority Report

occupation.

Washington, April 29.—In spirited debate the Senate today proceeded to-ward the vote on the Knox peace resolution arranged for late tomorrow with

Opponents of the resolution predomi with equanimity in such a way as to nated again in today's discussion, whice also so developed a break in the Demo eratic ranks when Senator Reed, Missouri, made a lengthy address in support of the resolution. It was attacked by Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, Senior Democrat on the Foreign Belations committee; McKellar, Democrat Tape Babiason Democrat Tape Belations two nations agree in such a way as to put Italy and the United Statese in a emocrat, Tenn., Robinson, Democrat Arkansas, and supported by Senators Borah, Idaho; Kellogg, of Minnesota; serene peace and prosperity for the McCormick, Illinois and other Repub

During debate, Senator Pomerene Democrot, Ohio, filed a minority re-port, signed by all present Democrat members of the Foreign Relations com-mittee, predicting that the resolution would "prove a disappointment" and asserting that it was an attempt to "usurp" the President's treaty-making The Hague, April 29.—(By the Associated Press).—The second chamber of parliament today by a vote of 49 to 30 adopted the Djambi oil field bill, thus

In the final debate tomerrow Senator Lodge, of Massschusetts, Republican leader, and Senator Borah and McCornick, are scheduled to speak in suppor of the resolution, white Senators Pomerene, King, Democrat, Utah, and Robinson, are to speak in opposition.

IT'S SPRING TIME



Senator John Shorp Williams, of in first straw hat of the season to b

## FOR HIGHER RAT

Asheville Can Worry Along On Six Cents, But Raleigh Wants Eight

The Asheville Power and Light Com pany, a subsidiary of the Carolina Power and Light Company, yesterday withdrew its pending petition before the Corporation Commission for a raise in street car fares in the mountain me tropolis, and substituted in its stead notice of petition for higher gas rates. The commission allowed the withdrawal of the trolley fare petition.

During the week beginning May 15

the Carolina Power and Light Company will present an appeal to the commi sion for authority to raise street ear rates in Raleigh from seven to eight cents. The Asheville gas rate case will be ready for presentation before the end of the month, it is understood, and effort will be made to have the rate raised to a parity with other cities of

Petition was filed with the commission some weeks ago for a raise in trolley fares in Ashoville from six to seven cents. According to the request filed yesterday, the company will endeavor to work through the summer on the present fare schedule, but the Carolina Power and Light Company finds itself would to set along without a twentyunable to get along without a twenty-five per cent higher rate in Raleigh.

Reconciliation of the divergent sects presented by the two cities will robably figure largely in the fight which will be made against the raise n Raleigh. The petitioning company will be asked to demonstrate how one of its properties can get along in one city on a six;cent rate and petition for

m eight-cent rate in Asheville was not included in the re-cent appeal for higher gas tates in eventeen cities and towns in the State. The gas plant there is said to be in approximately the same situation as was outlined by the petitioners for Raleigh and other towns in the State. Intime tion has been made for some time that general move would be made by the traction companies for higher car fares, but thus far only the Caro-lina Power and Light Company has moved. Durham was allowed an eightsent rate last fall.

SPEED BOAT PUTS INTO SANDY HOOK FOR REPAIRS SANDY HOOK FOR REPAIRS
New York, April 29.—The speed
boat, Gar II, Jr., racing against
passenger train time between
Florida and New York, put into
Sandy Hook late this afternoon with
a broken shaft. Repairs are expected to be made there tonight.
The racer has 1 hour and three
minutes to complete the eighteen
wiles of her increase in order to

### IN WASHINGTON, TOO KILL BLOCKADERS

Three Negroes Are Dead and Others Are Wounded By Officers

FIGHT STARTS WHEN AGENTS ATTACK STILL

None of Revenue Men, Led By H. G. Gulley, Wounded; The Baldwin Brothers, Who Skipped Bond In Morth Caro. lina, Are Believed To Be Leaders In Whiskey Opera-

Three unidentified negroes were killed outright and six others wounded when a party of nine prohibition officers, headed by H. G. Gulley, of Raleigh, raided a monster distiflery, six hundred yards beyond the Virginia line from Warren county yesterday morning ht 5 o'clock. None of the officers stills of an aggregate capacity of 475 stills of an aggregate capacity of 475 gollons, 22,500 gallons capacity of 475 property valued at \$7,500 were de-

The plant was manned by seventeen negroes, most of them believed to be residents of the southern section of Wake county, with Hayes and Joe Baldwin, Apex negroes, fugitives from justice of the Wake county court in charge of the operations. Both the Baldwins escaped in a high powered automobile, carrying several of the wounded negroes with them. Alto-gether it is the largest distillery ever destroyed by North Carolina prohibition forces.

Although the bodies of the three dead negroes were viewed by thousands of citizens from that section of the country, no one was able to identify em when the coroner of Mecklenburg county called a jury together yesterday afternoon to consider the situation. The jury rendered a unanimous verdict the effect that the negroes died at the hands of officers who were defending their own lives. Each member of the jury personally congratulated the offi-cers and thanked them for ridding the country of so baleful an industry. Caught Between Fire

Caught Between Fire

The officers taking part in the raid returned to Raleigh early last night, theroughly exhausted from the trip. Neither of the men all of them experienced in the business of raiding illicit distilleries had ever had so thrilling an experience, or had come so neve death as when the entire party was eaught between the fire of guards whom they had passed in their advance on the still and the fire of ten other negroes who were operating the plant. who were operating the plant.

Two months of stendy work had been done, chiefly by Prohibition Agent H. M. Lewis, of Henderson, before Mr. Gullley determined Thursday morning to make the raid that night. Time and again the still was located, but before preparation could be made to raid it, e operators would move it. this week, information was received that w heavy run was about to and the stills would be operated until the middle of next week in its present location. Mr. Gulley decided that it was

time to strike. Leaving Raleigh at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and picking up other offi-cers at Henderson, the party arrived in the neighborhood of the location at 11 o'clock Thursday night. In the party were Officers Gulley, Lewis, J. H. Ramsey, C. C. Shores, N. E. Raines, E. G. Richardson, A. P. Cates, I. C. Brady, and J. B. Pendergrast, Light rain wa falling, softening the earth and dead-ening the sound of the footfalls of the officers as they made their way through the woods.

In Sight of Plant. Midnight found the nine men within eight of the plant, set in a narrow ravine between two heavily wooded hills ander the three great copper stills the officers could see ten negroes busily at work. They lay down is the woods to wait dawn, watching every move of the busy distillers. At four o clock Mr. Gulley gave the word to advance, and the ers, guns in hand, moved forward. Extreme caution was observed. The men moved slowly, always careful to avoid breaking a twig that might alarm the negroes, or warn the guards, which were suspected of being out around the place. The work at the still continued, the operators having no thought of being taken by surprise. Dawn began to break by the time the officers were within a hundred yards of the plant. It was decided to move down swiftly and overpower the negroes before they offer resistance.

Half dozen Winchester rifles barked out behind the officers, and bullets whistled past their heads. Bealising that they had passed the guards in the dark, Gulley gave the order to storm the still, without regard to the fire from the rear. The officers rushed, but before had gone ten steps the negroes at

the still opened fire.
Officers Open Fire. Officers in the group opened fire as they ran, concentrating upon the negroes clearly visible in the glow of the furnaces of the stills. Three men dronged with the first volley, others yelled as if they had been hit. The officers emptied their guns, the negroes had emptied their guns, and in the lull, the men at the still decided to retreat. dropped by the three who were shot dropped by the tares who were down, the remaining seven disappeared.

One of the Baldwin negroes paused in his flight, took deliberate aim at Mr. Gulley and fired. The bullet missed the officer, and the nine men opened without without him without him. the Sea of Marmora, and one or two destroyers were racing about in the Bosporous.

The opportunity for a sudden blow by the allies was excellent, if anybody could get near enough to strike the blow. Approach, however, meant run-

#### miles of her journey in order to Gallant Crew of Scorpion First U. S. Men to Shed German Blood

By JOSEPHUS DANIELS Former Secretary of the Navy, spright, 1921, by John F. Dills. Coperight by ional Kewapaper Service. Copyright in Great sim. Causda and throughout France. All rights sped, including translation into foreign innovance, noting the Scandinavian. Unauthorized reprinting any purpose forbidden.

Constantinople, March 25 .- (Delayed.)-The Scorpion, veteran of the Spanish-American war, interned here when the United States joined the allies, and now Adrimal Bristol's flagship, has been ordered sold by the navy department. The Scorp ion has been stationed here much of the time since 1908, when it be-came a dispatch boat for the American embassy. It is a converted

When the Serman cruisers Geober nd Breslau made their sensationa escape at the opening of the war, and raced down the Medite ranean to deliver hemselves to Turkey, it was an Ameri can audience on an American grand-stand which watched the thrilling finish in the harbor of Constantinople.

From the deck of the gunboat Scorp-ion, flying the fing of the United States, the officers and men, with no little amusement, beheld the evidently Tentonic crews of the eratwhile ships of the German navy, hastily doffing their Ger-man caps and donning Moslem fezzes as the Turkish fing was hoisted to the

Throughout the war the Scorpion was a vantage point of observation for the events which occurred in the near east. When the United States became a bel-ligerent it quietly interned, since there was no declaration of war with Turkey.

and nothing to be gained by this little vessel righing almost certain destruc-tion by an effort to run the U-boat gauntlet in the Mediterranean in order to reach the paval forces of the allies.

Thrilling Times for Crew This, however, does not mean that the

Scorpion's wartime existence was wholly monotonous. It had its thrills and its opportunities for service. When Turkey entered the war the crew of the Scorp ion was-invaluable to Mr. Morgentha in guarding embassies and helping to get the retiring allied officials and thousands of noncombatants-men, women and children-safely out of the city. The American flag was temporarily boisted over the British embassy, and men of the Scorpion stood on goard about the building, because there were rumors that an attack was to be made apon it, and Mr. Mongenthau had been requested by the British government to

take charge of British interests.

But the most thrilling episode in the Scorpion's long sojourn in the Bosperus pecurred on May 25, 1916.

Long lines of transports, with 40,000 or 50,000 troaps aboard, were at the quays ready to sail for the re-enforcement of the Ottoman armies at the Dardanelles. As essent of destroyers and patrol boats had been sent ahead into the Sea of Marmora, and one or two destroyers were racing about in the

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