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## FLYING PARSON MAKES A GREAT SPEECH HERE

Told Thrilling Tales of His Experiences in the Air and of Cross-County Flight

### HAD VERY SMALL CROWD

Under the auspices of the Macca-bees, Lieut. Belvin W. Maynard, who is known the world over as "The Flying Parson," made a very interesting address in the court house on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The meeting had not been very well advertised, and the number present to hear his address was not as large as it otherwise would have been, but those who were present enjoyed a rare treat.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Q. C. Davis, Pastor of First Baptist Church, who called upon Rev. D. B. Green, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, to lead the opening prayer. After all present had joined in heartily in singing America, A. C. Huneycutt in a very few words presented to the audience Mr. W. B. Stuart, Editor of the Fraternal Department of the Charlotte Observer. Mr. Stuart spoke for a few minutes on "Fraternalism," after which Rev. Mr. Davis introduced Lieutenant Maynard as "the world's most renowned aviator."

"The Flying Parson" spoke for nearly an hour on "The Conquest of the Air and My Experiences in the Air." He gave some interesting history of America's flying operations during the World War, showing our inefficient equipment when we first entered the war, telling of the struggle of the country in developing the Liberty Motor, and of how we finally became "masters of the air" on the fighting front before November 18. He thinks that America's flying accomplishments shortened the war by several months; that the Germans saw their utterly helpless condition so far as air fighting was concerned, and gave up early as the only reasonable thing to do. He also went into details as to his cross continent race after the armistice, of his experiences in crossing the Rocky Mountains, and the many dangers and difficulties overcome, and of his final run to victory back to New York as the winner. He told, it seemed, just what the average person present wanted to know most about flying, and about the detailed experiences of a daring aviator. In telling of his experiences with snow storms thousands of feet above the peaks of the Rocky Mountains, he stated that ordinarily rain storms bothered the flyer very little. He declared that a swift machine would fly around and past a thunder cloud within three minutes time, and that the same was generally true of snow storms.

Lieutenant Maynard's address was very gripping and he supplied just enough wit and humor during the course of his talk to keep his hearers in the proper mood.

The Flying Parson is a most interesting character. He is easy to approach, and is very democratic in his makeup. Despite the fact that he is lionized wherever he travels throughout the United States, he is just a plain "Tar Heel" Baptist preacher. He appears much younger than one might expect from one of his prominence and experience, having almost the face and manner of a boy. He is full of life, and that dashing, daring spirit literally bubbles out as he talks. He has a keen eye that fairly flashes at times, unmistakably mirroring the soul of the man within. Those who had to hear him missed a great treat in watching the admission fee just to see him and shake his hand. Were he to make the same address next Tuesday evening there would not be a building large enough in Albemarle to accommodate those who would scramble for room that they might see and hear him.

Attorney W. A. Cochran, of Troy, was in the city Wednesday. Mr. Cochran says that Montgomery is waking up these days, and that the County Chamber of Commerce is going to eliminate the fellow who kicks or knocks Montgomery County. He thinks the chamber of commerce which his county has recently organized will mark the turning point in that county's industrial life.

## SHIPPERS WILL BEGIN PREPARING OF SUITS

Smallest Guess at Recovery Is A Million, and the Largest Is 25 Millions

### TIME LIMIT IS QUESTION

Raleigh, June 22.—North Carolina shippers will begin right away preparing suits against carriers operating through the state for reparations on account of discriminating and prejudicial rates paid over the Virginia cities in the past.

Secretary M. R. Beaman, of the Raleigh chamber of commerce, left Raleigh last night for conference in the city of Washington with the attorney of the North Carolina Traffic association and after a meeting of shippers here with members of the corporation commission, Col. Albert L. Cox attorney for the association, will go to Washington to assist in preparing the case.

There is a question here as to how far back the shippers will be able to make a fight for reparation of excessive freight charges, but members of the commission and attorney for the shippers are of the opinion that reparations can be had since the date of the first filing of the suit. This covers a period of more than two years, and by the time the order announced yesterday is effective, the period will have stretched to thirty months.

No one attempts to guess how much will be recovered by the shippers in these suits. The smallest guess is a million, and the largest is 25,000,000. Much depends upon the ruling of the commission as to the period for which reparations may be claimed and much depends upon the thoroughness with which the suits are filed.

### LAW REGARDING THRESHERS.

The North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture announces, in co-operation with the Department of Agriculture, that the law requires each thresher of grain to secure a threshing license, from the Register of Deeds before operating. This license is free—no cost for same.

In the same way that the operator has to have a license, it is also necessary for each farmer to see that the party threshing his grain has a license. Each thresher must keep and report the bushels threshed and the acres from which the grain was harvested.

All thresher operators should at once get their licenses, when a notebook for keeping the records required, as well them. These books are to be retained as the report sheets, will be given to permanently by the operator for personal records. But at the close of the threshing season or not later than September 15th, a complete report up to that time must be made to the Register of Deeds. The thresher's reports are not to be sent to Raleigh, but to the Register of Deeds of each county where the threshing is done.

A word to the wise is: Operate with a license and be sure the operator is licensed. Failure for a thresher to report means \$25 fine, although the license costs nothing—is free. The records made will be a business memoranda for reference in future years and for making collections from farmers.

The information is used as a check on how much grain we produce and where it is made. It is a good business and educational provision.

### WHITLEY-HUNNECUTT WEDDING

A pretty wedding was solemnized Monday evening at 8:15 at the Lutheran parsonage when Miss Ola Mae Huneycutt became the bride of Mr. Efrid Whitley. The only attendants were Mrs. J. W. Womble, of Greensboro, sister of the bride, and Elbert Whitley, brother of the groom. Mrs. Whitley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Huneycutt and is a very attractive young woman of this city. Mr. Whitley is a son of Mrs. D. P. Whitley and a popular young man and is connected with the B. & W. Motor company. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Whitley left by auto for a bridal trip to Wilmington and other places of interest, after which they expect to be at home to their many friends in this city.

## TWO FLYERS OF ARMY VICTIMS OF COLLISION

Capt. Douglas and Lieut. Plum Drowned When Planes Fall Into Chesapeake Bay

### ENGAGED IN BOMBING RAID

Washington, June 22.—Two of the leading fliers of the army air service, Captain Howard T. Douglas and Lieut. Marl J. Plum, were drowned in the Chesapeake bay today after a collision of their planes in the course of a bombing raid directed at the hulk of the old battleship, San Marcos, off Tangier Island.

Reports received by the war department from Langley field, Va., said the accident was one of the most peculiar on record. Lieut. Plum, flying a fast single seater, plane, was dropping bombs and Captain Douglas, in a similar machine was observing the raid from above. Plum's machine had just dropped a bomb and was climbing upward as is the custom after releasing the weapon, when it struck Captain Douglas' machine, cutting off its tail.

Both planes fell into the bay and disappeared with their pilots, whose bodies had not been recovered tonight though sought by a number of army and navy craft ordered to the scene after the accident.

Langley Field officials reported that soon after the planes fell, another of the bombing planes dropped a bomb containing 500 pounds of T. N. T., and that it fell near where the machines went down. It was evident, it was said, that the pilot of this machine one of the many participating in the attack on the San Marcos, had not seen the planes fall. The terrific force of this bomb, aviation officers said, would probably make more difficult the recovery of the bodies of the officers or the planes.

### HARRELSON-LENTZ.

A beautiful home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lentz, of Norwood, on Wednesday afternoon, when their charming and accomplished daughter, Miss Mary Hill Lentz, became the bride of Mr. J. Frank Harrelson, of Cherryville. The wedding was a quiet one, with only the members of the immediate family present. The marriage ceremony was beautifully and solemnly performed by Rev. J. F. Kirk, Presiding Elder of the Salisbury District of the Western North Carolina Conference. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left for Cherryville, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Harrelson is one of Stanly's most accomplished young women. She is a graduate of Davenport College and has been engaged in teaching in the public schools of Bessemer City during the past two years.

Mr. Harrelson is one of Cherryville's most prominent young business men, being secretary of three of the Ryan textile mills, and prominently identified with other business of his section.

### PRESIDING ELDER KIRK HERE.

Presiding Elder J. F. Kirk, of Salisbury, passed through the city Wednesday on his way home from Norwood, where he presided at the Harrelson-Lentz nuptials. Rev. Mr. Kirk has a keen interest in Stanly County and its educational and church work. He believes there are great possibilities in store for Stanly during the early years. He is enthusiastic in the educational movement which is sweeping the state at this time. He wants to see the time when North Carolina shall have colleges and universities which will, to use his expressive statement, "throw dirt in the face of even Yale, Harvard and Princeton."

### INTERESTING MEETING OF THE AMERICAN LEGION.

The Walter B. Hill Post of the American Legion held a very interesting meeting on Tuesday evening. The Legion members are now located in their new club room over Calloway Tire Shop in the Hearne Building. They have the club room nicely fitted up. They hope to grow in membership during the summer and do many things toward making Albemarle and Stanly County a better place in which to live. They should receive the hearty co-operation of every good citizen.

## ALLIES WANT TO KNOW STANDING OF GREECE

Are Inquiring as to Whether She Will Agree to Abide by Allied Decision

### HAVE DISPUTE WITH TURKS

Great Britain, France and Italy have sent Greece a not inquiring as to whether or not that country will agree to abide unconditionally such terms of settlement of the Greek-Turkish dispute as may be decided upon by the Supreme Council. It seems that Greece has been getting rather the worst of the fighting which has been going on from time to time between that country and Turkey, and settlement of the dispute now seems desirable on the part of the countries engaged as well as the other nations interested. The trouble seems to be a dispute over Smyrna, and the Allies seem inclined to leave that territory in the hands of the Turks, subject to an international administration. If the Greeks refuse to accept such settlement as the Supreme Council may suggest, it is said the British and the French propose to sit quietly by and let the matter be fought out between the two countries. Turkey, according to a recent news dispatch, has agreed to abide the decision of the Supreme Council, but should Turkey refuse to accept the terms of settlement which the Council may suggest then Allied money will back the Greek forces, and the naval forces of the Allies will possibly blockade Turkish ports, and it is thought that there may be a possibility that French and British land forces may participate in the fight against the Turks, provided Greece will agree to abide by the decision of the Supreme Council. The proposition is said to contain no threat against the Greeks, but rather against the Turks. Thrace is said to be disputed territory also, as well as is Smyrna, both Greece and Turkey now claiming Smyrna and Thrace. Britain and France seem inclined to leave Turkey in charge of Smyrna, subject to international administration, while Thrace will no doubt be offered to Greece unconditionally, provided Greece accepts the terms which the Supreme Council may propose.

Indications now are that the trouble between Turkey and Greece may soon be settled. Certainly it will be settled or else matters will get into worse shape very shortly.

### KIRK SCHOOL

Miss Prebble Kirk entertained a few of her little friends on last Thursday afternoon in honor of her eighth birthday. After an hour spent in playing various games, refreshments were served by Mesdames Vida Kirk and J. C. Ingram. Those present were Earline, Helene and Louise Kirk, Helene, Cora Ellen and J. C. Ingram, Jr., Madge and Margaret Shaver, Wilma and Mary Rose Kirk. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rummage, June 7th, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobler, of Washington, are visiting Mrs. Frances Reaves at Bridgeview.

Master Thomas Kirk spent last week with his grandmother in Palmerville.

Mrs. Sallie Kirk and children of Eldorado, visited in the homes of Mrs. M. C. and T. P. Kirk last week.

Miss Bertha Calloway is visiting friends at Thomasville Orphanage and attending the annual meeting.

Luke Saunders has recovered from an attack of measles.

Matt Saunders is sick.

Grady Austin, who is working with his father on road construction in South Carolina, spent last week with home folks.

### BIG FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION IN BADIN

There will be a big celebration in Badin on July the 4th, which will furnish an opportunity for all Stanly County to celebrate.

There will be water sports, races, etc., in the morning, and base ball, between Albemarle and Winston-Salem in the afternoon, followed by foot races and field sports. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

A big dance will be held in the Theatre building in the evening.

Good music will be furnished. Everybody cordially invited.

## BRIEF NEWS ITEMS OF STATE-WIDE INTEREST

Digest of Happenings of Week Gleaned From the Files of Our Exchanges.

### NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

Berlin, June 21.—The toll of death in the explosion in the Mont Cenis mine near Herne, Westphalia, on Sunday, today had reached 83. Those wounded in the explosion aggregated 100, some of whom are reported to be in a dying condition. The disaster was due to an explosion of fire damp.

Washington, June 21.—The first step toward making the Pacific Ocean the chief scene of our naval operation was taken by Secretary Denby's order of yesterday strengthening the Pacific fleet and making it outweigh the Atlantic fleet in fighting force. The order concentrating the whole fleet in the western ocean lay on Secretary Denby's desk for weeks and is still there but a variety of difficulties lay in the way of so dramatic a move.

Washington, June 21.—Shippers and freight paying consumers of North Carolina and the southeast won a substantial victory today when the interstate commerce commission made its long expected decision in the Virginia-North Carolina freight rate controversy. The decision removes the differentials favoring the Virginia gateways and equalizes class rates so that North Carolina shippers obtain the advantages of their location in both a northern and southern adjustment.

On Board Steamship Henderson, Off Cape Charles, Va., June 21.—A direct hit with a 163-pound aerial bomb, dropped from an F-5-L type seaplane sent the former German submarine U-117 to the bottom of the Atlantic today and abruptly terminated the first of a series of experiments by the American army and navy to test the ability of naval vessels to withstand damage inflicted from the air. The one-time German commerce raider and submarine planter was bound for Davy Jones' locker just 16 minutes after the first bombs were launched.

Wilson, June 21.—On April 5 of this year Ed Sykes, Jr., a negro was buried beneath tons of acid that took a "slide" at the Contentena guano factory in the outskirts of this city. The body was turned over to Ed Sykes, Sr., of Goldsboro. Two weeks later Ed Sykes, Sr., of Elliott, Sampson County, come to Wilson and found that his son, Ed, Jr., had been employed in the guano factory and today both claimants for the body are here. Each has a photo of deceased workman at the factory and is positive that a mistake was made in turning over the remains to the supposed Wayne County father. The Sampson County Ed will have the body exhumed and taken to his home for reinterment and he will be paid the insurance his son carried.

New York, June 22.—Rear Admiral Sims returned home today to explain to Secretary Denby the remarks attributed to him in his recent London speech on Irish Americans.

Belfast, June 22.—King George and Queen Mary journeying from England for the occasion of the tenth anniversary of their coronation presided at the opening session of the Ulster parliament here today. It is the first time in nearly twenty years that Ulster has had an opportunity of receiving the sovereign of the British Empire and its welcome helped make the occasion a memorable one.

Oberlin, O., June 22.—Declaring that President Harding must choose "between the proleguers in his cabinet, whom he made, or the bitter enders in the senate, who made him," Hamilton Holt, a New York magazine editor, who lead the proleague Republicans, in the commencement address at Oberlin College here today, asserted that a "clear majority of the American people want the United States to enter some kind of an association of nations, with enough teeth in it to actually lessen the possibility of war."

Paris, June 22.—The recent communication of the British, French and Italian governments to Greece asking her to postpone her offensive in Asia Minor and extending an offer of me-

## REDS HAD PLANNED TO SEIZE AMERICAN SHIPS

Documents May Explain Recent Disappearance of Several Vessels at Sea.

### TAKEN TO SOVIET PORTS?

New York, June 22.—Plans for the seizure of American vessels at sea and their diversion to Russian soviet ports were revealed, New York police officials announced today, in documents seized a year and one half ago in a raid made by them on the headquarters of the Russian workers of the United States and Canada.

These documents, which are still in their possession, police intimated, may explain the disappearance at sea of several American vessels in the last few months.

Detective Sergeant J. J. Grogan, chief of the bomb squad, who made the raid, declared federal officers were notified of the seizure at the time but that he did not know whether any action had been taken by them.

The plan, outlined in the documents, was to ship enough men on the vessels to be seized to overpower the rest of the crew at sea.

The Russians were then to take charge of the vessels, and direct them to soviet ports.

Several arrests were made at the time of the raid. Some of the persons taken into custody were deported as undesirable aliens, and the remainder were released.

### EPWORTH LEAGUER OF LEXINGTON DROWNED

Morganton, June 22.—A tragedy which cast a gloom over Morganton and brought grief to the entire Epworth league conference in session here, was the drowning late this afternoon of young Roy Crouse, of Lexington, one of the delegates from the Lexington league. The young man and a number of companions had gone to Asbury's lake, about four miles from Morganton, to go in bathing and swimming. Just how Crouse was drowned will probably never be known, but since he could swim and had swam across the lake once with the other boys, the most plausible theory advanced is that he had a heart attack while in the water. When the others were attracted by his apparent struggle he was going down for the last time.

The body was recovered in a short time but all efforts at resuscitation proved futile. It was brought to Morganton and prepared for burial. Disposition awaits advice from his relatives in Lexington, but it is presumed that the remains will be sent home tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hearne and B. F. Ausband spent Thursday in Moore County.

### NARCOTIC TAXES.

All dealers in narcotics should pay their license during the month of June. If not paid there will be a penalty after the first of July. This includes all drug stores, doctors and stores that sell paregoric.

diation with the Turkish nationalists will be examined by the Greek government, it is said, in an Athens dispatch today, on the return to the Greek capital of Premier Gounaris. The latter is in Smyrna but is expected to return to Athens in the near future.

Hickory, June 21.—Robert Reep, Lincoln County farmer, was arrested and jailed at Newton today charged with the murder of Neill Turner, Gastonia produce dealer, in Bandys Township, Catawba. There was little or no provocation. According to officers, Reep was said to be drinking and when he was brought to Hickory after his capture several hours after the tragedy he was said to be half drunk. Turner was shot through the left side, the bullet ranging upward. Reep had accompanied Turner to the camp ground in Bandys Township and according to information gathered by officers, wanted to return home. He urged Turner to take him home and it was while Turner was standing on the double-tree of one of his two wagons that the fatal shot was fired. Turner was convicted of the murder of P. Lato Hoyle in this same neighborhood several years ago and served a term.