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# Hundreds Of Lives Reported Lost In San Antonio Flood

Anxious to Have Their Status Definitely Established on Evidence.

MANY AT FUNERAL

State Officials Go to Goldsboro for Allen Funeral: The Succession.

> BY JULE B. WARREN. Staff Correspondent of The News.

Raleigh, Sept. 10.-Printers, press-

DIVIDE CASES.

med be fought out individually o run it in ahead of the other cases the docket, for they believe the tions have a right to know definitely ust as soon as possible just what then gal rights are.

PLAINTIFFS IN NO HURRY.

the strike situation about as they Their employes are not mo unions and the union folks are no possible thing that would make

the men one minute longer Otherwise they are re ned from their rights under gov

ors and children under the lega when they can sue and be sued nt through the next friend of the he attorneys for the printers be this matter could be handled b

Supreme Court at once. IANY AT FUNERAL

Unber of state officials went to sboro Friday at noon to attend funeral services of Associate Jusssociates on the Supreme Court and the city generally. Raleigh mourns the death of the associustice, who has been spending of his time here since 1910 when as first elected associate justice of preme Court.

other members of the court he the hearing of the appeals from second district this week, leaving gh on Wednesday for his home. was apparently in the best of health when press dispatches from Golds-Were read to officers of the court

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MUST FIGHT ALONE IN WAR ON FA



Miss Lucy Page Gaston.

Miss Lucy Page Gaston, nationally known enemy of the cigaret, has ended her long period of service with the Anti-Cigaret League. Her resignation has been forced by the board of directors. The board issued a statement saying, "Miss Gaston's methods were more drastic than those approved by the

## SENATE AT WORK

Committee Hopes to Finish With Bill by Wednesday

Washington, Sept. 10.-Revision of having failed yesterday to reach any greement on the high points

sailing, but Chairman Penrose still wapleted by the time Congress reconvene ne week from next Wednesday. It .: his desire to cut down discussion and

As was the case in the House, the principal points of disagreement are retroactive repeal of the excess profits ax and a reduction of the income surtaxes. Although still holding that majority sentiment is drifting toward retroactive removal of the profits tax, Republican leaders apparently are not as optimistic on this point as they

were a day or two ago. they lose their fight in the committee they will carry it to the Senate floor Besides passing on the six changes

in the House bill proposed by Secre tary Mellon, the Senate committee also plan of Senator Smoot, Republican, plaintiffs interested in getting and Utah, and the suggested tax by Sena trial is the fact that all of the tor Calder, Republican, New York, on esses will be in the city next 2.75 per cent beer and alcoholic and they might not be several liquors diverted to beverage purposes

## WINDWARD ISLANDS

.- (By the Associated Press)-St. Vin cent's sea island cotton crop of 1921 was almost entirely destroyed by the numercus coccanut trees were uproct ed or stripped

The economic ou look, already ed by the marked depression, now lid considerable damage to buildings. ompletely demolished, the sea there naving made even greater inroads than did in the great hurricane of 1898. Victoria Park, in Kingstown, embles a devastated forest, all trees having been blown down by the storm or denuded of their foliage.

### MEETINGS TO DISCUSS AMERICAN EXCHANGE

Washington, Sept. 10.-Secretary Mellon, as chairman of the inter-American the Supreme Gourt William R. high commission, has addressed a call EXPLOSION ON SUB on Tuesday afternoon shocked Latin-American countries for a series KILLS THREE PERSONS of meetings here and in the other respective capitals to discuss the international exchange situation.

The meetings are to be held simultaneously beginning December 21 and will consider means of relieving the uneatisfactory exchange conditions exist-

The ministers of finance of the various republics have been requested by curred in the engine room from an un-Mr. Mellon to submit reports of the known cause. The Deutschland was discussions at the meetings together one of the submarines surrendered by with such suggestions for remedying the Germans under the terms of the the situation as may be adopted.

## Medal of Honor to Unknown Soldier

Paris, Sept. 10.-President Harding has awarded the Congressional medal of hencr to the unknown sol. dier of France, Myron T. Herrick, the American Ambassador, informed Premier Briand today, Mr. Briand asked Mr. Herrick to thank the thoughtful act.

The presentation ceremony will occur in October, at which Ambassador Herrick will be assisted by two high officers of the American army and navy.

Washington, Sept. 10.—General Pershing, chief-of-staff of the United States army, was ordered by President Harding today to proceed to France to present the Congressional medal of honor to the unknown soldier of that republic.

## **CUSTOMS GUARDS** MAYBE INVOLVED

District Attorney Will Investigate Connection With Drug Ship.

New York, Sept. 10 .- Investigation of the suicide of Frank J. Fitzpatrick, chief narcotic agent of the internal revenue department for New York, following a spectacular drug and whiskey raid yestreday on the Greek steamship King Alexander, was begun today by Colonel O. G. Forrer, executive as sistant to the chief of the narcotic

Fitzpatrick, one of the leaders of the raid, shot himself twice through the heart shortly after the raiders had fought a battle in which five men wounded, and had seized drug and whiskey valued variously at from 200,000 to \$1,000,000

micide only by saying that Fitzpatrick and that he might have become tempe drug smugglers, who disappeared dur ing the fight, surrendered today. Twenty-six members of the Alexander's crew were being held by

arrested, but all save the 26 were reeased after examination. Wallace E. J. Callins, United States attorney for Brooklyn, promised addi tional arrests today, indicating that

rederal authorities today in connec

tion with the smuggling plot. The

Information that some customs em had reached the revenue men, he said and caused them to stage the raid secretly for fear the smugglers would The secret was kept be "tipped off." observed the raiders, took them to be smugglers themselves and-according to the revenue men-opened fire or them before they could establish their

### STOCK MARKET VERY ACTIVE, WITH GAINS

New York, Sept. 10 .- The most ac ive week-end session of the year was witnessed on the stock exchange today when further substantial additions to

Dealings in the first hour exceeded 300,000 shares and this pace was maintained to the buoyant close. Short in terests were severely punished in the upward movement which ranged from

to 5 points. Features of the advance, in which public participation was indicated, in cluded oils, steels, equipments, mottors were the features on the satisfactory outcome of the conference between American oil interests and the Mexi

Mexican Petroleum showed a gain o nore than 5 points in the second hour and affiliated shares, notably Pan-Amer can Petroleums, rose 2 to 3 points.

### IRISH PRISONERS DIG OUT OF CAME

50 interned Sinn Feiners from the Curragh internment camp in County Kilwere under guard. The camp is surwire entanglements and is heavily guarded by soldiers. The prisoners built the tunnel under the barbed wire using some of the flooring of their hu!s or 25 points above the low price touch- sell. The most difficult part was to elude the guard. This was done by | 85 points of the recent high record creating a diversion Thursday even Numerous prisoners gave song recitations which received great applause both from other interned men and, it is said, from the guards. While this was proceeding between 40 day are: and 50 men passed through the tunne and have not been seen since.

Liverpool, Sept. 10-(By The Associated Press).-A tremendous explosion on the former German submarine Deutschland at Birkenhead, across the Merzey from Liverpool, killed three men and injured three others today. effect upon trade within the Ameri- is posible that many others perished. The submarine was being dismantled at the time of the explosion, which oc-

peace treaty.

HEAD NEW BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS



Rear Admiral W. A. Moffett

## UNDERWOOD ONE OF DELEGATES

Full Delegation is Hughes, Root, Lodge and the Alabama Senator.

Washington, Sept. 10.-The Ameri can delegates to the conference on by President Harding will be Secretary of State Hughes. Elihu Root of New York, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts had agreed likewise to restrict their delegates to four in number. will not affect the advisory bodies, it was explained, the American governarmy, economic and other subjects and of the women of America; of labor, of

land, and other nations will enter the conference only when their Far Eastern problems are affected.

### COTTON MAKES BIG JUMP ON HEAVY RAINS

rential rains in south Texas, intensifywhere about 1,500 prisoners higher, and before the end of the first rounded by several rows of barbed \$5 per bale above last night's closing

again with October advancing to 20.65, ed on Thursday's reaction and within

## RAINS AND COOLER.

Washington, Sept. 10 .- Weather pretemperature near or below normal, taken, reports said. Disturbance over Caribbean Sea mov-

Charlotte and Vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday; litle change in temperature. Gentle winds, mostly Washington, Sept. 10.—North Caro-lina and South Carolina, partly cloudy

(above) and Capt. Henry C.

These men head the new bureau of naval aeronautics which was authorized by the naval appropriation act of July 12, 1921. Rear Admiral Moffett is chief of the bureau and Capt. Mustin assistant chief.

### CENTRAL AMERICAN REPUBLICS ORGANIZE

Teguciagalpa, Honduras, Sept. 10 .--By the Associated Press)-The consti- unless they are ratified by the Senattution of the Federation of Central He would not stand aloof but would as-American Republics was signed here sociate with other powers in endeavortoday. One of the features of the sim- ing to settle world problems-each case ole but impressive ceremonies was the standing on its own bottom.

blem will be sworn at that time.

## gation was made yesterday and at the LOCAL FISHERMEN TO

Lake Waccamaw has become popular and which shall secure instant and genwith Charlotte sportsmen during the eral international past several years because of the exeptionally good fishing there and the litical action so that the nations picturesque country surroundin it. It in Columbus county and is the larg- just and fair may exercise their inest fresh water body in the State except

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

made of the engagement of Samuel hour active months sold some \$4 to Lucie Russell, of Salisbury, the wedding to take place during September. Mr. Garland has been making his home here for some time. Miss Russell is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rus- judge. . . .

## PULASKI BANK ROBBED.

Pulaski, Va., Sept. 10.-Bonds valued ening situation and confers from time at \$10,000 and an undetermined amount to time with other powers whenever a grave crisis in world affairs arises, dictions for the week beginning Mon- robbers blew open the vault of the America will be confirming to Repubank of Draper, situated in the little lican party policy. This was the view town of Draper, four miles from here. of Senator Knox, when he proposed his Unsettled and occasional rains with Everything of value in the bank was famous paragraph five to the original resolution declaring peace with Germany. The paragraph was withdrawn

> and one quarter miles north of Lakeside with 20 men on board at 8:30 this morning. Four of the men were severely burned, but all were rescued after being thrown into the lake.

## ROBERT YOUNG KILLED.

Greensboro, Sept. 10 .- Robert Young. hear here today when the traction en- of the world. That's as far as he water and electric light plans are logine he was driving on the Alamance wishes t go at present irrespective of cated along the banks of the river,

# Of An Association Of Nations

By DAVID LAWRENCE

Staff Correspondent of The News.

Washington, Sept. 10 -President

The President makes it clear to those

nations in which formal membership

prove or disapprove, to agree or dis-

agree with anything that may be pro-

Mr. Harding makes a point of just

how the prepositions are used in speak-

ing of an association "of" nations or

an association "with" nations. He be-

lieves the coming conference on arm-

of Nations. Men like former Presi-

that in endeavoring to form "a" League

of Nations he would have to bring the

United States into the existing league

however, is his determination to turn

away from all sorts of permanent

play a role of informal conference with

other powers on vital matters without

committing America to any agreements

side with that school of thought which

sorts which have hitherto been made

"The Republican party stands

agreement among the nations to pro-

ciation must be based upon interna-

tional justice and must provide meth-

ods which shall maintain the rule of

public right by the development of law

ever peace shall be threatened by po

pledged to do and insist upon what is

fluence and power for the prevention

"We believe that all this can be done

without the compromise of national in-

dependence, without depriving the pea-

ple of the United States in advanc-

of the right to determine for them-

selves what is just and fair when the

them as participants, and not as peace-

makers in a multitude of quarrels the

merits of which they are unable to

mean that as long as the United States

o as not to provoke an extraneous

Of one thing the world may be cer-

The foregoing platform plank is

ing interpreted by Mr.

bodies with hard and fast rules an

LATEST DEVELOPMENT.

## HARDINGS OFF FOR VACATION

NEWSPAPER"

Will Go to Atlantic City, Then for Cruise on the Mayflower.

Washington, Sept. 10.-President Harding arranged today to spend the Harding has abandoned any idea week-end at Atlantic City, leaving forming an association of nations as a substitute for the present League of Washington shortly after noon by automobile for the coast resort.

Two or three days will be spent by the President at Atlantic City, which he who have made inquirles on the subwas unable to visit last week because the ject that the United States will assopresidential yacht Mayflower was pre- ciate with other nations in internavented by a storm from docking. After his visit at Atlantic City the of ways and means of preserving

President plans to pick up the Mayflow- peace but as for a formal body parallel er somewhere along the coast and cruise to the Geneva League, no such organfor a few more days, returning to Washington the later part of next Guests invited by the President and terms of a rival organization to the

Mrs. Harding for the Atlantic City Geneva League or as an association of week-end included the Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Hoover, the Under Secretary of State and Mrs. Fletcher, would be required. But the President and George Van Fleet, publisher of the has evolved the theory that in order President's newspaper at Marion, O., to be perfectly free at all times, to ap-The automobile trip to Atlantic City

was decided upon, it was said, to make sure of reaching Atlantic City and also because Mrs. Harding is not regarded as a "good sailor" in heavy seas. No stops on the motor trip to Atlantic City were planned.

## NEBRASKA TOWN IS

struck near Avoca, near here, last night, according to information received by the Missouri Pacific Railroad said he would never join "the" League Company from its telegraph operator at Weeping Water. The report gave dent Taft and other pro-league Republidispatch from a no details, but a newspaper correspondent at Weeping Water said "the report is many buildings were wrecked at Avoca, six miles

Telegraph and telephone lines to Avoca were out as they were in other sections of the State, following violent vindstorms, accompanied by hail and

ig the resurrection of the republic of has always maintained that protocols Central America, will be raised here cu and international agreements of all September 21, the 100th anniversary of the independence of Central America by the executive branch of the govfrom Mexico. Allegiance to the em- ernment, often committing the United

## GO TO WACCAMAW

North Carolina, will be the camping tion with the Senate. ground of a group of Charlotte fishermen and sportsmen for several days. They will leave Monday morning and association of nations similar in general ake. In the party will be W. S. Stan- son league, the answer is made that cill, commissioner of public works for the President's policy as it is being Charlotte; Chief of Police Walter B. evolved gradually is in absolute accord Orr, Lee Kinney, real estate man; Form with the plank in the Republican naer Sheriff N. W. Wallace; D. M. Aber- tional platform of 1920. The platform nathy, former commissioner of public plank reads in part as follows: works; Joe Cochran, former superinten dent of Mecklenburg county schools; N. Neeson, of Greenville, S. C.; Earl Whitton, Frank Harlan and E. L. Kees- lieve that such an international assoer. Chief Orr and a party of Charlotte men have been at the lake for some lays and the chief will remain to be with the party mentioned above for sev-

## ing Lake Mattamuskeet.

## POWER BOAT BLOWS UP.

discussion of international problems.

road came into contact with a high whether the Geneva league lives or power electric wire.

## President Has Given Up Idea WATER TO DEPTH Has No Plan for Carrying STREETS OF ing the Campaign.

Public Utilities and Many Business Houses Forced to Close Down. Copyright, 1921, by News Publishing Co.

> WIRES ARE ALL DOWN. Mexican District of the City

Supposed to Have Suffer-

ed the Worst. San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 10.-Seventeen bodies, mostly those of women and children, were in the morgue at noon. Estimates of the probable loss of life continue to be large, the police still placing the number at 500. The property loss is certain to be many millions. As the waters recede organthose who have been thinking either in ized bands of workers are searching

the ruined houses. The city has not been placed under martial law but the military forces at Fort Sam Houston and Camp Travis are co-operating in relief and policing with the city and county officers.

A survey is being made of the damage done and a meeting of military officials and city and county heads and posed by other nations, the United the Chamber of Commerce is to be held States cannot bind itself in any hard at 11 o'clock at which relief plans will be put into operation. Two thousand people are homeless. The weather is partly cloudy and the

weather bureau said more showers

could be expected during the day but

not heavy enough to cause further

creeks are receding rapidly and rescue tions and therefore satisfies to an exwork is proceeding with greater distent anyway his campaign pledge. It patch. will be recalled that the whole contro-A temporary morgue has been estab-lished at the central fire and police station to which the soldiers and police

flooding. The waters in

have been directed to bring all bodies for identification. Soldiers and police are patrolling the cans were not discouraged but insisted lowntown districts to prevent looting that eventually Mr. Harding would find in the stores, a portion of the district being declared closed to all traffic except that absolutely necessary in res-

ue work and salvaging. With the army and Red Cross re ources it is probable that the relief work can be handled without outside help but this will be decided at a meeting called for 11 o'clock. A relief fund subscription has been opened in the city and generous contributions have already come in.

San Antonio, Texas., Sept. 10.-Six several million dollars by a flood which swept through San Antonio last night. property are difficult early this morning. Troops from Fort Sam Houston are patrolling the city and aiding in rescue

The water supply is cut off as is the electric light and telephone power. Estimate of the loss of life reaches s high as 500 by police and fire

ified by the Senate. Feeling that way, of course, the United States could nev which winds through the city, and er, in Mr. Harding's opinion, enter infrom its tributary, the Olmos creek, out constantly having matters referred for many blocks to a depth of from 10 to 15 feet. The San Pedro creek on the west side of the city which To those who believe that Mr. Hardruns through the Mexican district. overflowed and joined the waters from the river and swept through the southern part of the city. Water stood 15 feet deep in the

> obby of the Gunter hotel, which is a block from the river. The flood reached the Alamo plaza on the east, which is five blocks from the river. The power house will be out of ommission for at least two or three days. There is partial telephone servfor at least 24 hours. Street car

service is cut off indefinitely. iver are strewn with the wreckage of houses. A number of automobiles were swept away. night the east and west sides of the city were cut off from each other and it was only at daylight that the waters had receded sufficiently to permit crossing by one bridge in the northern

Newspapers were flooded, but the San Antonio Light succeeded in issuing an extra on a hand press at 6

Alarming reports of loss of life in the valley of the San Antonio river south of the city are coming in but occasion arises and without involving The Light is unable to confirm them It is believed that the greatest loss of life occurred in the Mexican district. Residents in that sector were unable to get out though aided throughout the night by firemen and police and troops from Fort Sam

At 8 a. m. Phil Wright, commissioner of fire and police, stated he believed could give no definite figures. had just completed a tour of the flooded district. Only six bodies have

been recovered so far. HEAVY RAINFALL.

An unprecedented rainfall which bediscussion about future policy but the tinued throughout Friday and Friday boat Alton blew up in Lake Erie one So also is the plan to revive the Herrican in the caused the flood. At least eight So also is the plan to revive the Hague | inches of rain fell during this period. Tribunal as a means of calling na- Early last night there was a heavy tions into conference periodically for rainfall in the valley of the Olmos creek north of the city. Water from the creek rushed into the San Antonio tain-there is to be no formal thing to river and joined the surface water be known as the Harding association which was pouring into the river from of nations. The resident believes in Ge. the heavy rain throughout the day in casional conference and constant asso- the city proper. The river went out of Virgilina, Va., was instantly killed ciation with other powers for the good of its banks within a few days. The

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ATTEND THE MADE-IN-CAROLINAS EXPOSITION AT CHARLOTTE, SEPT. 12-29

tonight and Sunday.