

WILL DEMAND THE TRIAL OF FORMER EMPEROR WILHELM

STAIN COLB MORRIS NOT BEEN KILLED

Received Here Saturday From Lt. Morris Tells His Narrow Escape From Death.

CONDITION IS RAPIDLY IMPROVING

of Young Man Also receives Letter From Doctor and Mrs. Ballington

Information that Lieut. Colb Morris was not killed in an airplane collision, as had been recently reported by the War Department, was received yesterday by his father, Mr. A. Morris. A letter from the War Department, dated April 10th, stated that Morris was then out of the hospital, and would be in fine shape in a week or so. In his letter, Lieut. Morris stated that he had no recollection of the accident, and that he had been told that he had managed to escape the same. The letter is not for publication, but the young man's father received it yesterday evening, and in a letter to his father, which gives in detail the facts of the accident, as described by Lieut. Morris, he stated that he had received a letter from the doctor, Dr. Frederick Wilhelm, of the U. S. A. Transport.

Mr. Morris writes you about your son, for I hope you will want to hear from him. He has talked with him and can give you as to his safety.

It is doubtless he has heard of the accident and of the poor boys who were killed. Three airplanes came down at the same time, two in collision and one of them fell into the river. It happened to be crossing the river when the broken plane was under it with your son and an airplane clinging to the wreckage.

It was very swift and the wreckage struck the bridge and was left with only a small piece to cling to, while your son, the gas tank to which he held, whirled away to the middle of the river. A man on horseback and a woman on foot were on the bank when the first boat that could be found, started after them and they were taken to the shore. The boat struck and they were hurled into the water. The boat was overturned and they were left in the water. The boat was overturned and they were left in the water. The boat was overturned and they were left in the water.

EVERYTHING READY FOR CELEBRATION TOMORROW

Tank Is Now Here, Ready To Take Part in Celebration—Many Hundred Soldiers To Be Here.

The American Tank, emouflaged by the greatest artists in the American Army, is now in Concord ready for the big parade tomorrow. The tank arrived in Concord late yesterday afternoon, and is now on exhibition on the streets of Concord. The tank will be here till late tomorrow afternoon and the soldier who has this fighting machine in charge says it is ready to do its part in the big celebration tomorrow.

Everyone in Concord should see this fighting machine. You have seen nothing like it unless you have seen an other tank, and the soldier in charge will be glad to answer any questions you might want to ask him. This tank will be one of the biggest features of the parade which will be held tomorrow.

SOLDIER KILLED NEAR SOUTHERN DEPOT SUNDAY

Young Man Had Just Returned From Service in France—Run Over by Train.

A distressing tragedy occurred at the Southern Depot here yesterday morning just about ten o'clock, which cost the life of one of Concord's young men who had returned only about three weeks ago from overseas service in the army. Mr. Perry Verble, about 22 years old, son of Mr. J. R. Verble, was instantly killed when he fell beneath the wheels of a moving freight train, which he attempted to board.

According to witnesses, the young man intended to get on the freight train and ride to the Gibson Mill, near his home. In making the attempt to swing on one of the cars, he fell under the train. Some of the wheels passed over his neck, completely severing the head from his body, and separating them by several feet.

The remains were brought to the undertaking establishment of H. B. Wilkinson & Company, and prepared for burial. The funeral services will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon from the home of the boy's father on Railroad Avenue, and the interment will be made at Oakwood Cemetery.

FINAL ACTION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Is Expected To Be Reached in the Peace Conference This Week.—Plenary Session Opened Today.

WILL BE PRESENTED TO GERMANS BY FRIDAY

Problem of Composing the Japanese and Chinese Claims to Kiao-Chau Expected To Be Settled.

(By The Associated Press.) What promises to be perhaps the most eventful week yet of the Paris peace conference, opened today with a plenary session of that body, with final action on the covenant of the league of nations in prospect.

There also is a feeling prevalent in Paris that the treaty of peace will be ready for presentation to the German delegates by Saturday of this week, before which time, it is hoped that the Italian situation may resolve itself. As to the peace treaty, the most important matter still to be settled is the problem of composing the Japanese and Chinese claims to Kiao-Chau and the Shantung peninsula. A decision on this subject has been expected for several days, and it may be announced today.

Matters dealing with the disposition of the German cables, the repatriation of German prisoners of war and the future status of the Kiel Canal and questions relative to Luxembourg also are pending, but it is believed they are in fair way toward an adjustment.

Conditions in Italy are being watched with some concern, but very little opinion there and activities of Premier Orlando has arrived since Saturday. At the public meeting of the peace conference to be held today the revised draft of the covenant of the league of nations will be presented.

Germany with the exception of Bavaria and Silesia seems to be much quieter than it has been for several weeks. A general strike is reported in the coal and iron districts of upper Silesia, and iron industry is seriously affected.

REVISED COVENANT OF LEAGUE MADE PUBLIC

Was Given Public To America Few Hours Before Read to Plenary Session.

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, April 28.—Publication by the State Department today of the revised covenant of the league of nations, gave the text of the document to the American people several hours in advance of its presentation to the peace conference in plenary session at Paris. The substance of the covenant, including material changes designed particularly to meet criticisms in the United States had been disclosed two weeks through the official summary, but many questions from the Senate officials and other students of the nation's foreign relations had withheld final judgment pending a careful analysis of the complete text.

Apparently these observers found the official summary has given comprehensive outline of the document. The new article specifically exempting international engagements and regional understandings "such as the Monroe doctrine" has been quoted verbatim.

The summary also had outlined amendments exempting national domestic questions from the jurisdiction of the league providing for withdrawal of members upon two years' notice, leaving it to member nations to decide what armed force, if any, they will contribute to any force which the league may determine is necessary to enforce its findings, providing that mandatorials shall be given to states willing to accept them, and stating definitely that armament reduction programs become effective only when approved by the states concerned.

SAILORS DROWNED IN THE HUDSON RIVER TODAY

Were Returning to Battleship When Their Launch Hit a Log.

(By The Associated Press.) New York, April 28.—Thirteen sailors returning in a launch to the battleship Nevada were reported by the police to have been drowned, when the launch sank in the Hudson river today.

The police said in absence of official statement by the naval authorities that they based their report on information from persons who said they witnessed the sinking. These said the launch apparently collided before reaching the Nevada.

Sailors from the Mississippi say the launch struck a log. Four men were reported to have been saved by other crews.

COMMENCEMENT WAS AN ENTIRE SUCCESS

An Unusually Large Attendance at County Commencement Saturday.—Fifty-five Graduates From Schools.

MR. CLEGG FURR WINS DECLAMATION PRIZE

Miss Rebecca Lewis, of Barrier No. 9, Wins Girl Scholarship.—Mr. James Walker Wins Boy Scholarship.

The Seventh Annual Cabarrus County Commencement was held in this city, in the Graded School Auditorium Saturday, beginning at 10 o'clock, and the program, as printed in this paper, several years ago, was carried out interestingly and beneficially. The County Board of Education, and especially the committee in charge of the commencement exercises, feel that the affair this year was one of the most interesting and instructive ever held. All of the schools of the county were well represented, not only by the student body, but also by the parents of the children and other patrons of the schools.

The program began promptly at 10 o'clock, and though there was a short delay following the dinner hour, the program was completed by four o'clock. The Knapolls Brass Band was present, and added much pleasure to the exercises by several well rendered selections. Prof. J. B. Robertson, County Superintendent, was in charge of the exercises, and it was due mostly to his manner of carrying out the program that the exercises were so successfully completed.

There were fifty-five graduates from the entire county, and the high grades made by many of the students have led all interested to feel that this year has been a most beneficial one for all the students. At all times during the year, the records show, the pupils have worked hard, and this effort on their part was clearly shown by the excellent grades enjoyed by pupils from each school.

The scholarships, the most coveted prizes to be awarded at commencement, were won by representatives of the Pinnacle and Barrier No. 9 schools. Mr. James Walker, of Pinnacle, won the scholarship offered each year by the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, and Miss Rebecca Lewis, of Barrier No. 9, won the scholarship given by the Mount Amoeba Seminary. Prof. Robertson presented the scholarships.

W. M. FARROW, PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN, DIES

Funeral Services Will be Held at the Home of Sister in Concord, This Afternoon.

Charlotte, Observer. W. M. Farrow, a well known business man of Charlotte, died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at his home, No. 9 South Mint street. Mr. Farrow had not been well for more than a week, but his condition was not considered serious. He was feeling much better Saturday afternoon and was able to walk on the street. When he was called yesterday morning he was found to be in a critical condition. Death came before a physician could be summoned.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 4 o'clock in Concord at the residence of his sister, Mrs. W. W. Morris, Dr. John Grier and Dr. A. M. Gocher, will officiate, and interment will take place in Concord.

Mr. Farrow was born in Charlotte February 19, 1873, and spent his early life on the farm. He came back to Charlotte to reside 18 years ago and since then had been connected with the Little-Long Company, the Tate-Brown company, and for the past several years he had held a position with the Ed Mellor company. He was well known among a wide circle of friends.

SALISBURY DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE

To Be Held in Central Methodist Church Here May 5th.

There will be held in Concord, Monday May 5, a Sunday school institute for the seventy Methodist Sunday schools located in Rowan, Stanly and Cabarrus counties, these counties constituting what is called in Methodist parlance a district. Each Methodist school is asked to send at least one delegate to this one-day institute.

TREATY CALLS FOR TRIAL OF WILHELM

To Be Tried for "Supreme Offense Against International Morality and Sanctity of Treaties."

WILL ASK SURRENDER OF FORMER EMPEROR

By the Government of Holland.—Other German Military Officials To Be Tried by Tribunal.

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, April 28.—New articles proposed for insertion in the peace treaty to be considered at the plenary session of the peace conference today, include the following: Article I: The allied and associated powers, publicly arraign Wilhelm II Hohenzollern former German emperor, not for all offense against criminal law, but for a supreme offense against international morality, and the sanctity of treaties.

It is proposed that a special tribunal be constituted to try the accused consisting of five judges, one appointed by each of the five great powers: The United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan.

The allied and associated powers will request Holland to surrender the former emperor for trial. Persons accused of violation of the laws and customs of war, according to a second proposed article, will be brought before military tribunals, and if found guilty "sentenced to the punishments laid down by military law."

All persons accused of violation of the laws and customs of war, who are specified "whether as principals or as accessories or employment which they held under the German authorities," will be sentenced by the military tribunal of the powers against whom national crimes were perpetrated.

MAUD B. BOOTH, "The Little Mother,"

BUY VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN!

At The Theatres.

Virginia and Carolina Play Next Saturday.

HEAVY SNOW STORM OVER BRITISH ISLES

Telegaph and Telephone Service Suffered Severely.—Snow 4 to 6 Inches in Depth.

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