By the Associated Press.

Means when asked for a statement

Means and his father are traveling

bile that belonged to Mrs. King,

Following a conference with his at-

torney here today, Gaston Means re-

al stir, intimating that this would be

to his benefit. He was asked if these

would come out at the coroner's hear-

Means was asked about newspaper

ternoon and will return late today

for Concord. His attorney would

not say whether he would accept ser-

FORMALLY TO SWEDEN

Stockholm, Sept. 18 ... The Ger-

nan minister to Sweden today for-

mally expressed to the Swedish gov-

ernment Germany's regret in consequence of the Swedish-Argentina af-

By the Associated Press.

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government work.

The close was steady.

Devemer \_\_\_\_ 20.22

January \_\_\_\_ \_\_20.16

March \_\_\_ \_ \_\_ \_\_20.33

northeast winds.

HICKORY MARKETS

Wheat \_\_ \_\_\_\$2.20

WEATHER FORECAST

29.74

20.58

Hurley of the shipping board today

Chairman Hurley also conferred

Paris, Sept. 18 .- The French min-

isterial declaration was read by Prof.

firms the intention of France to con-

tinue the war until the return of Ai-

ing next Monday.

hesitating a moment said.

accept service of the order.

### LOCAL ACTIONS REPORTED ON WAR FRONTS

Germans Beaten Off ' Attack Near Rheims. British Artille; Maryusy--Rumanians and Italians R Se Counter Attacks-Russians Also Active.

in large offensive op-European war fields con-

broke into new ac The has front and in an New Chapelle road Mitro reacehd the They were driven

rioss today, but recent ms have mentioned very work and airplane ob. By the Associated Press. . Berlin has dwelt on the delegation of the American railway soldiers. ry activity of the Brit- engineers spent a day recently as

camped at Aldershot, where the king and queen with other members or the royal family were present at the largest program of field sports that has ever be it seld on Salisbury Plain.

They are rectifying their The Americans brought with them or up the Dvina, however, a sug-of-war team which provided the occupation of another one of the features of the afternoon

by the Ramandans who yesterday cap- clared a draw.

patriotism that seeks to defeat enemy by providing the nations with home-grown food. Turf that had

### BE TRIED FOR SPEEDING

the latter colored, will face the re- forts. The Aldershot harvest was inquest is in progress. solder this afternoon on the charge so bountiful that men and officers simof speeding. These are the first fest festival was eminently the thing, arrests in connection with a campaign and that nothing would satisfy them to brok up the practice of wildcat short of the attendance of the king driving in Hickory, and the officers and queen. say more are to follow.

Y. M. C. A. WORKER KILLED

By the Associated Press. Benind the British Lines in France. Sept 18 The Young Men's Christan Association has just sustained its ples of the Aldershot harvest. There first fatal ensualty in France. One of the workers in a hut a few miles sehind the lines was killed this week by a bomb dropped from a German

## CAPTAIN HARPER DEAD

By Associated Press.

Winnerson, N. C., Sept. 18 .... W. Harper, 61 years old, ish tommies and non-commissioned leave. owner of the Harper hae of river officers. steamers and one of the wealthiest It was like a many-ringed circus. men to this county, died here this While the field sports were in prog-

He is survived by a widow and five tinuous performance of high-diving the funeral will be held somersaulting, trapezing, and all va-

Mrs. Ted Locke and daughter, Miss lay races and tugs-of-war were the Rock where they spent ten but there were many unusual and very Rock where where they spent ten

BELL PROG CAUGHT TRYIN GTO EAT PIG

country have the following unusual which mounted men rescue comrades Peporter Saturday. He in the actual fighting of today. This of his young pigs squealing of bayonet fighting, and a blindfold drill competition, in which blindfoldhis great astonishment open field drill.

Meanwhile th rison had a baby show, in which Mrs. fact the frog had swol- Corporal Tootle's twin boys secured and to more minutes the pig medal was handed to them by the would have been dead. As it was queen. dinning, and its head and even adly swollen.

MURCHY CANDIDATE AGAINST DOUGHTON

Sept. 18-Walter By the Associated Press. Salisbury virtually admit- Paris, Sept. 18.—The military authe would be a candidate thorities have had to settle a knotty guestion. In the case of a military polygamist being killed, how should the widow's pension be allotshould be a candidate thorities have had to settle a knotty guestion. In the case of a military polygamist being killed, how should the widow's pension be allotand the would be a candidate thorities have had to settle a knotty guestion. In the case of a military acquired from Edinburg University. soldiers from Africa who belong to president and his administration. tribes where polygamy is the recog-nized practice. Every polygamist widow will have a share in the pen-

NITTRAL QUERY

Lagrania Courier Journal. There has been a seismic a monogramous soldier. distarbance in Mexico?" "Who', lack of that?"

NATURAL IS SO NATURAL

Christian Register.

"the den't you love nature?" "Yes, indeed; it adds so much."

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 18 .- Secretary Wilson has telegraphed W. C. Boyce,

ments and to advise the department of labor here promptly concerning night of August 29, ordering him to them. Samuel Gompers, president turn over Mrs. King's property. of the American Federation of Labor, will call on Mr. Wilson today. Shipping board officials favor substantial wage increase with sliding scale for participation. Some

The Red Cross sewing room will American Engineers Training not be open tomorrow, on account of which many photographs Camp in England, Sept. 18 .- A large the picnic dinner at Newton to the

government.

guests of the British troops en-

in a long-drawn contest with the

was ploughed and sown, and men

The king, who knows a thing or

two about farming himself, accepted

the invitation, and a committee of

arrangements representing every unit in the district began work forth-

huge tent with tables laden with sam-

seats for the soldiers and their friends.

For six pence, the gate money all go-

ing to local war charities, the Amer-

ican visitors found they could have

their choice of a number of desirable

ress on the ground, there was a con-

the army service corps on points.

Meanwhile the women of the gar-

Outside the circle of army wagons

were the side-shows, including a com-

A KNOTTY QUESTION

sion, the total of which will be the

same as that granted to the widow of

MRS. MCFERRAN DEAD

circles, died here last midnight.

had ever seen.

Deptuy Collector P. P. Jones and championship team of the British en-Posseman C. A. Moser Monday after-Esteror so continues to be shown gineers, the result being finally de- noon made a raid on a blockade still in the South Mountains and return-The big fete was arranged by the ed with the still and 12 gallons of the Variation on the Moldavian a celebration of the bringing in of the plant operate for a time and from An attack on the Rumanian its harvest. For months past men then made their raid. The operaof all ranks and regiments in the tor was equipped with feathers on The folian official statement mer-of reports the repulse of Austrian dition to their military duties, the such rapid succession that the raidthe ers were soon left behind.

NEGRO LYNCHED

never before known the ploughshare By the Associated Press. Athens. Ga., Sept. 18 .- Rufus Monwho had never learned the first ru- crief, negro 33 years old, was lynched diments of farming toiled strenuous- about 1 a. m. today near Whitehall Handlad Weatherly, Cecil Hefner. ly in their spare hours under the guidance of their more skilful com-

# THAT REWARD STORY

with on a suitable program. The cen- By the Associated Press.

ter of the day's festivities was a Paris, Sept. 18.—The American headquarters staff in France has were fruits, vegetables, grain, shrubs, just been informed by the French auand roots of various kinds. The thorities that Emperor William has Royal party motored down from offered a prize of 300 marks and a Winsdor, arriving early in the afternoon and remaining for three two weeks' leave of absence to the first German who brings in an Ameri-

The arena in front of the harvest can prisoner dead or alive. tent was surrounded by a great cir- This information came from a Gercular "grand stand,' composed of a man prisoner recently taken who dedouble line of ancient and modern clared that a price had been set uptransport wagons which afforded on the head of the Americans.

A dispatch telegraphed from the British headquarters on Septemer 15 says that the German general commanding the 11th reserve division had positions, either in the drivers' seats promised to the man who first brought of big army lorries, or on benches in the first American dead or alive 400 alongside friendly delegates of Brit- marks, the iron cross and two weeks tained from a diary, the statement the chamber of deputies. It reaf- they fall heir to \$1.50.

> EFFORTS TO RUN CARS HAS DISASTROUS RESULTS France.

rieties of acroatic by a squadron Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 18. of British airplane men up aloft. Re-With the street car strike apparent-With the street car strike apparently far from settlement as ever, disorder marked the entire day in value. rious outlying districts. with the nonspectacular types of field sports, such union crews under constant bombardas mounted wrestling competition, in ment from rocks and other missiles which both horses and men took part used by strike sympathizers. For in an exciting struggle, the team from the first time since the strike an the Royal engineers finally defeating effort was made to run cars to the Golf and Country club and Chicka-Goldele For Sept .18. Mr. Harvey There was also a "Victoria Cross" mauga, and the first trip to the for-There was also by many farmer of this race, illustrating the methods by mer place proved disastrous to the crew. A crowd of about 40 well organized men attacked the car at appealed to President Gompers of one night last week he was followed by mimic exhibitions of his young pigs squealing of bayonet fighting, and a blindfold upon the armed guard and crew and causing Motorman Adams to flee to up government shipbuilding on the ed non-commissioned officers of va-the house to make an routing their blindfolded detachments. The second state of the woods for his life. Adams suf-fered a smashed shoulder, while the held with Mr. Gompers this after-When he arrived on the through the complex movements of the putting their blindfolded detachments guard had two fingers broken by through the complex movements of rocks. Following the attack service on this line was abandoned.

WOMAN IN COMMAND

By the Associated Press. London, Sept. 18. The highest woman omicer in the British army is Mrs. A. M. Chalmers Watson, M. D., who has just been appointed chief controller of the women's army auxiliary corps, which has over 4,000 members on duty behind the lines in France.

By the Associated Press.

New York, Sept. 18.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of five to 10 points and sold 14 to 19 points net higher immediately after the call. The advance met in Mr. Conking, lawyer, geologist and author, was found in the court yard of his east 70th street home early today. He either fell or jumped from his window. Police said it was suicide.

Mr. Conking, lawyer, geologist and author, was found in the court yard of his east 70th street home early today. He either fell or jumped from his window. Police said it was suicide. woman officer in the British army is ic bull fight which the king declared the best thing of its kind which he

Mrs. Watson is a sister of Sir Eric creased offering, and there were re-Geddes, first lord of the admiralty. actions of six to seven points lower. rated from his wife and his three She was the first woman physician

### should the widow's pension be allotted? The question has arisen through France having brought many native PUBLIC STATEMENT

By the Associated Press Petrograd Sept. 17.—Twenty-three generals and other officers arrested finished today.

Hickory city schools began the fall Charlotte, N. C. Sept. 18.—Gaston term this morning with an attendance B. Means, with his tather, W. G. assistant commissioner of immigra-tion at San Francisco, to tender his Concord to consult with Gaston years' record by at least 20 and with services as mediator or conciliator in Means' attorney in connection with prospects that foreshadowed 900 chilan effort to end the strike in that the restraining order issued by Judge dren in the white schools by the end Jas. E. Boyu in Greensboro last night of the week. The attendance today Mr. Boyce has been instructed on petition of Mrs. Anna L. Robin-to keep in close touch with develop- son, mother of Mrs. Maud A. King, schools as follows. who was mysteriously killed on the High-180; South-233; North-

> The colored school opened yesterday with an attendance of something over 120. refused to talk or state if he would

The lack of new desks is greatly retarding the work of the schools, but in the automobile that was being used officials urge the government to pay an increase for work done for the killed.

by the party when Mrs. King was it is hoped to have everything ready by tomorrow. The handsome new fur-The garage proprietor here who niture for the domestic science depart-has a \$9,000 foreign made automo- ment has been intalled and many forment has been intalled and many former students will be back for the busthat was brought here by Gaston iness or domestic science courses. Two Means a few days before the killing sewing machines have been placed says he has received no order in connection with the machine. Mr. R. E. Neely, business teacher, will arrive Saturday.

## He did state, however, that there was much behind all the sensation-

reports of a conspiracy by the Teutons to get the King's fortune and The first community fair at Killians will be held tomorrow and the greatesst exhibition of live stock ever kets at the Hickory Grocery Company, "And these papers almost on the same day tell about so much money assembled at a similar show will be where Mr. Riddle will see that they being used in plots over here by on hand. The judging contest will arrive in Newton on time. Own-Germans." start at 10 o'clock, and the afternoon the seemed to take this report as will be devoted to speaking and athillogical on its face. Means and letic contests. his father went into a further con-ference with his attorney this af-

A general invitation is extended the public to attend.

GOING TO SPAIN

vice of the paper issued by Judge By the Associated Press. Buenos Aires, Sept. 18 .- From private sources it was learned by the Associated Press today that Argentina has asked Spain to ask the United States, Great Britain adn

France a safe conduct for Count Lux-burg to Spain. AGREEMENT REACHED

IN CLERKS' STRIKE

By the Associated Press. Seaboard Air Line freight clerks' receiver was named on petition of strike is ended. Following an all Mrs. Anna L. Robinson, mother of day conference yesterday in Norfolk the dead woman, in which she allegbetween the vice president of the ed that a receiver is necessary to railway, the president of the prevent dissipation or removal. resentative of the United States and it is planned to have the order department of labor, an agreement of the court served on Means at was made whereby the men were to Concord this morning, the quickest return to work this morning where- time in which a deputy can reach by it was agreed that Mr. McVade him since the bank qualified as rewould draw up an agreement which ceiver. would be accepted by the clerks and

men in salary.

Those Russians who are insist- in full. ing that no wealth or intelligence should be presented in the government This information was ob- Paul Painleve, the new premier, in will change position about the time

> CALDWELL COUNTY FAIR IS TAKING ON DEFINITE SHAPE

sace-Lorraine and until Germany grants reparation for Belgium and Washington, Sept. 18.—Chairman being headed by their teacher.

manufacturers of our town and coun- ed by the Catawba Indians. ty have offered many of their fine pieces of furniture to competitors at with Sescretary Daniels in regard to of our merchants.

COMMITS SUICIDE

By the Associated Press. New York, Sept. 18 .- The body of and author, was found in the court case.

daughters, circumstances over which, it was said, he had been brooding.

## TO FIGHT GERMANS

By the Associated Press. Russian forces on the Riga front ily occupied drinking punch. Then they found 4,800 dead Bavarians on continue to make progress in their many funny and polly games were the field, all victims of the French drive against the Germans. On Sun-played that were enjoyed by all. Then 3-inch field guns. By the Associated Fress

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 18.—Mrs. are being closely guarded. General Korniloff is a prisoner in a hotel at Slightly warmer in extreme west day the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress and the Russians made progress south delightful refreshments were serviced by the Russians made progress and the Russians made progress were serviced

### END MEANS DECLINES OVER 800 ATTEND GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE DENIES PEACE STORIES

Tells Associated Press That Berlin Has Not Sent Out Feelers to United States-Question Stirs German Newspapers--Other Peace Discussion.

Hickory people are urged to send dinners to Newton for the drafted men tomorrow, to attend if possible and to carry along many American

the Newton Red Cross, but the whole ter leader informed his electors to county is invited to participate. It Sunday. s a county affair. Forty young men will leave in the afternoon for Columbia and it is planned to give them a big open air picnic.

Persons who are unable to attend the celebration may leave their bastend, and it is hoped that Hickory will be on hand with a large repre-

Mr. Eubert Lyerly, who has conferred with the Newton folks in re gard to the dinner, urges the sending of plenty of good things to eat the wearing of flags and the personal attendance of everybody who can get away from Hickory, even for only a few hours. All over the United States cities are honoring their recruits, and Catawba county loes not intend to fall short.

DRASTIC ACTION WOULD FOLLOW MEANS' REFUSAL

Asheville, Sept. 18 - Following an order made by Judge James E. Boyd of Greensboro, the Central Bank notified that it had been named receiver for all property and papers belonging to the estate of the late Mrs. Maude A. King, and now in the Richmond, Va, Sept. 18 .- The possession of Gaston Means. The freight clerks and Mr. McVade rep- The bank made bond for \$10.000

J. Hall Johnson, representing Mrs. Roinson, will be present to see of the naval gun crew of the Ameri-Under the pending agreement the that the order of the court is obeyrailroad will grant increases to the ed and will be prepared to take drastic action if any attempt is made to avoid complying with the order when the steamer was sunk.

> FIRST COMMUNITY FAIR IN CATAWBA SPLENDID SUCCESS

The first community fair ever held n Catawba county was held Saturday at Mount Olive school house, two and a half miles from Newton. The Lenoir. Sept. 18 .- The Caldwell fair was a great success in every county fair is beginning to take on way. The display of the products definite shape. Interest in the enter- were as fine in quality as ever seen prise is evident all over the county, anywhere. The entire school house and it is now certain that fine ex- was filled with the products of the The government urged the people to hibits of all kinds will e on exhibi- farm, the kitchen and the sewing preserve fruits and vegetables so that tion, ranging from a mule colt to room. The quality of corn on ex- they would not be forced to pay exa bottle of chow-chow. Arrange- hibition was very fine. The girls' ments have been made to allow all canning club had a splendid display school children and their teachers to of their goods. The display of fanview the exhibits free on Thursday. cy work was very attractive. Mrs. the 4th, provided they march in a James McRee had on display a white body to the fair grounds, each school spread for a bed that was more than 100 years old. It has been in the Holbrook. A large list of premiums and prizes family that long and has been hanhave been arranged and efforts are ded down to the present. N. Allen being made by exhibitors to win all of these. The furniture and chair Indian arrows said to have been us-

Eastern North Carolina may sufthe fair this year, most of which are fer severe crop damage from heavy now on display in the show windows rains, but it will not suffer heavy land damage. The water will not wash the soil away, as it does in upland sections so frequently.

What do you suppose newspaper readers are most interested in these Alfred R. Conkling, lawyer, geologist days? The war? No, the Means-King tors, has just been killed in a flying

> They are having some agilition in Charlotte over the question of of the French system of regulating selling sodas and cigars on Sunday, artillery fire from airplanes. Among

IN HONOR OF YOUNG MEN

On Monday evening at 8 o'clock note by Marshal Joffre regarding the Mr. and Mrs. Dinwiddie Holder gave use of "airplanes of combat." a reception in honor of Messrs. Harold Two days after his success near Deal and Sam Hahn, which was very Triaucourt, Captain Roeckel, flying appropriate on the departure of Mr. at a height of 300 yards, discovered Deal for the service of his country, the position of a division of Bavarian Mr. Hahn is also leaving to take up infantry in the region of Vaux Mahis work at the Columbia Seminary, rie, signalled it to the artillery, then Columbia S. C.

Soon after the arrival of the riddled with bullets and shell fragthe Associated Press.

[Quests in this beautifully decorated ments. When the French infantry home, the jolly young crowd was bus-advanced and occupied the position,

### v the Associated Press. Berlin, Sept 17., Wa London, Sept. 8.—The German foreign office in a statement given to the Associated Press today denies stories appearing in Danish and other foreign newspapers to the effect that the German government has indirectly communicated its peace terms to Washington or that the Wilhelmstrasse even has sent out trial ballons for the purpose of sounding entiment in the United States. The German foreign office further

the rumors are promptly discredited on their face. The assertion made by Mathias Erzerberger, the Clerical leader in the reichstag, that Germany's note in reply to Pope Benedict's peace proposal had been issued, also was The program is being arranged by denied in official quarters. The Centhis effect in the course of addresses

informs the Associated Press that

BELGIAN QUESTION

By the Associated Press. Amsterdam, Sept. 18 .- In connection with the report published in he Tages Zeitung that Germany had ided to abandon all claims selgium, the Klolnische Volkszeitung

"We too have received similar information from which it may be concluded that last week a decision was reached about Belgium in conformity o English view

Mathias Erzberger, a Clerical, speaking Sunday said: "The foundation of peace must be no conquest of any kind. We are advancing with long strides towards such peace-peace built upon the basis of the reichstag resolution."

CONCERNING BELGIUM

By the Associated Press.

London, Sept. 18.—German newspapers point out, says the corresponent at Amsterdam of the Exchange Telegraph, that after the resignation of Dr. Van Sant, the civil govand Trust Company of this city was Lutz, also resigned. No successors ernor of Belgium, his assistant, Herr have been appointed yet. The resignations are said to be in conjunction with German plans in Belgium.

# IN GERMAN PRISON

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 18 .- W. A. Miller, the unaccounted for member can tank steamer Campa, is in a German prison camp at Brandenberg Dispatches heretofore accounted for only four of the naval gunners. Today's report on Miller's whereabouts accounts for all five.

If Russia should follow the lines of the French revoltion, all of Europe would be on its knees in less than a year to the Russian bear.

The Washington government has now denied any intention to commndeer canned goods from the people. orbitant prices or do without.

Misses Claudia Wilson and Durham Marshall of Manchester-by-the-Sea, will arrive in the city today to spend some time with Miss Elizabeth

### KILLED IN BATTLE

By the Associated Press.

Paris .- Captain Roeckel, one of the oldest in service and one of the most remarkable of French military aviaaccident at Villacoublay, after risking death a thousand times over the

Captain Roeckel was the creator Mr. Conking, who was 67 years old, had been for three years sepaold, had been for three years sepawhile the soldiers are there. German army corps in the vicinity of Triaucourt, eptember 8, 1914. This achievement provoked a general

got back to camp with his machine

Cynthia Tennessee McFerran, wildow of Dr. John B. McFerran, a notable figure in Southern Methodist

Suprison in a note at signify warmer in extreme west of Halzel and also forced Gered by the hostess, after which the of the legion of honor and the war
mans out of another village south of guests departed having spent a cross with six palms for as many
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