

GERMANS ARE DIVIDED OVER ACTION TO TAKE PART OF GERMAN PEACE MISSION STRONGLY OPPOSED TO SUBMISSION TO TERMS.

Sharp differences have arisen among the members of the peace delegation over the peace treaty and Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the Teutonic plenipotentiaries, may return to Berlin to discuss with the Ebert government whether the terms presented by the allied and associated governments shall be signed. He has already reached Spa and conferred with technical experts.

THREE NAVAL PLANES TAKE AIR FOR AZORES.

Washington, May 16.—With three new planes winging through the night from Trepassey bay, New Foundland, to the Azores, on the most difficult leg of the first attempt to make an air flight across the Atlantic ocean, navy department officials stood guard here tonight over the radio instruments, and the waiting winged warriors for progress.

The planes, barring accident, probably were in radio communication at 11:30 o'clock with the destroyers of the second group of the bridge of ships that point the way across the sea.

These are the Ward, Palmer, Walker and Trenchard, which have been rolling and tumbling far at sea for more than a week awaiting the coming of the air machines.

By searchlight beams, red fire bombs hurled high in the air by anti-aircraft guns, and by deck flares as well as by radiating searchlights, the fighting ships that broke the German submarine blockade, tonight were giving every aid to their comrades in the air, bound on a peaceful invasion of Europe.

TOOK THE AIR SUNDAY ON PERILOUS JOURNEY

St. Johns, May 18.—Harry C. Hawker, Austrian aviator, and Commander MacKenzie Greive, his navigator, are winging their way across the Atlantic tonight on the most perilous airplane flight in history.

They took the air at 5:55 p. m., today, Greenwich time (1:55 p. m., New York time), and expect to reach the Irish coast in 20 hours unless some accident forces them to plunge into the sea.

FRANCE IN NO MOOD TO LISTEN TO GERMAN NOW.

Paris, Sunday, May 11.—France is not in a mood to listen to German just now the Journal des Debates says in concluding an article on the manifestations against the peace treaty by the German press.

"The president of Germany," the editor says, "protests against the peace terms and declares them impossible of acceptance. This attitude will be lost on us. The Germans, as usual, will yield only to force. During the time allowed them to make up their minds, they will try to persuade us to conclude peace upon such and such a basis."

AARON WISEMAN HELD GUILTY BY A JURY FOR KILLING OF HENNESSEE.

Avery Man Sentenced to be Electro-cuted June 20.

Shelby, May 17.—Guilty of murder in the first degree was the verdict of the jury in the case of Aaron Wiseman, Avery county, tried here for the murder of Dr. E. A. Hennessee, at Glen Alpine on the night of January 31, 1918. Wiseman received the verdict with slight emotion. The jury was out an hour and 10 minutes, and it is reported that on the first ballot nine were for acquittal and three for conviction, on the second 11 to 1. Two friends of Dr. Hennessee went to the box and shook hands with the jurors.

With no signs of flinching, Aaron Wiseman heard his death sentence pronounced at 3:30 this afternoon by Judge B. Long. Notice of appeal was given by defendant's counsel. When Solicitor Huffman was notified by telephone at Morganton that a verdict of guilty had been rendered, he asked the court to await his arrival at 3 o'clock. The solicitor had gone home on the account of sickness and the court waited an hour after 3 o'clock, but he was delayed on account of heavy rain until adjournment, June 20 is the date set for the electrocution.

A singular thing in connection with the Hennessee and Pitts affair is that when Dr. Hennessee was tried six years ago for killing a Pitts, one of his children died. When the Pitts boys were being tried their grandmother died, and the day Wiseman was arrested his father died.

The killing of Dr. Hennessee occurred on the evening of January 31, 1918, at Hennessee, on the farm No. 21 at Glen Alpine. Dr. Hennessee had been to Greensboro on professional business, leaving that city for his home on the mid-day train. When the train reached Glen Alpine Dr. Hennessee alighted. He had gone but a few steps from the train when there was a fusillade of shot and he fell mortally wounded. An examination of the body showed that some ten or 12 shot had taken effect. This led to the assumption that two men did the shooting. The following day Garfield and Aaron Pitts were arrested charged with the murder. The case set for trial at Morganton, when it came on for trial a motion to remove to some other county was made and the presiding judge ordered that the case be tried in Cleveland county.

In the trial here the state relied primarily on the testimony of Fred Amos and Mr. Ramsey, of Statesville. Amos and Ramsey were both passengers on the train. They swore that when the shooting started they looked through the coach windows and saw one man with a revolver in each hand firing at the train. They identified Wiseman as the man who did the shooting. Amos, who didn't testify at the trial of the Pitts boys, said that the reason he failed to make it known that Wiseman was responsible for the death of Hennessee was because he was going to Chicago and did not want to be held as a witness.

THE 66TH TO CONVENE AT NOON TODAY

Washington, May 18.—Attention of America and of the world is turned upon the new Congress—the 66th in American history—which is to convene at noon tomorrow in extraordinary session called by President Wilson from Paris.

All was in readiness tonight for the inauguration of the special session which is expected to open a new and important chapter in American and world history, with its long program of action, including consideration of the peace treaty, the proposed treaty for the military protection of France and of intangible and vital questions of domestic concern.

President Wilson's message, cabled from Paris, was being prepared tonight for submission to the Congress, but is not scheduled for delivery tomorrow. It probably will be read to the House on Tuesday and in the senate Thursday, adjournment of the latter body being planned from tomorrow until Thursday.

ADVANCES IN PAY OF TEACHERS NEXT YEAR.

Law Requires Additional Pay—Gaston County Among First To Report. Raleigh, May 7.—Reports are coming in just now to the state department of education of the financial adjustments that are being made by the county school boards and county commissioners for the coming school year and the advances that are required by law in teachers salaries and ample budgets for adequate building budgets. A typical one comes from Gaston county, where increases are provided for in teacher salaries on the basis of from \$55 to \$75 per month for elementary teachers and from \$60 to \$75 per month for the assistant high school teachers.

The county levies the full 35 cents school tax that the law allows and then 16 cents for incidentals and buildings and with the funds that the county will get from the state school fund will have \$160,806 to spend for the year in school maintenance.

Try This Plan.

"Miss Willing," began the young man as he wiped the perspiration from his brow, "are you fond of stories?"

"If they are new, Mr. Woolly," replied the fair maid, "I simply dote on them."

"But the one I was going to tell you, Miss Willing, is not new," said the young man. "It is, I might say, Miss Willing—or, Clara—the old, old, story—but—"

LARGE ENROLLMENT IN BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB WORK.

Two hundred and seventy seven boys and girls have enrolled in the Club Work for this year. This is the largest enrollment in the history of the work.

Club Work in general is an organization effort to help make rural life more attractive for the boys and girls. By aiding them to see and realize the beauty of life in the open country and the advantages (as well as the profit) of farm life over the lure of the city, we feel that much good can be accomplished. We solicit the moral support of the parents, so as to encourage, advise, suggest, and console the problems of club work which confronts the youth may not seem too great but which instead may develop the faith, the hopefulness, and the determination of your children to the extent that successful achievement is the result.

Should there be any who joined any of the clubs and whose names does not appear on this list, you should notify County Agent, W. L. Smarr.

Corra Club.

Samuel Beal, Ben Frank Baxter, Wilfred Beal, Lewis Biggs, J. D. Blackburn, Hugh Croft, Junior Cook, Earl Childers, Wilbur Halliwell, Ralph Henkle, Harry Heavner, Paul Heavner, W. B. Harmon, Ralph Howard, J. P. W. Hill, Joe Jones, James Jetton, Carlton Jetton, Gus Keener, Clegg Lineberger, Gus Keener, Dan Kiser, Richard Quicker, Yates Leatherman, Pressly Leatherman, Ernest Ritchie, John Rhodes, Edwin Royester, Victor Shuford, Gerald Sharpe, Seth Summey, Blaine Sigmon, Paul Stewart, Ernest Wise, Elmer Wise, Loy Wise, Robert Wise, Forest Ward, Carr Wynn.

Pig Club.

M. D. Beam, Samuel Beal, Carven Baxter, Gus Baker, Lewis Biggs, Clyde Brown, Ernest Baxter, Floyd Beam, William Carpenter, Frank Clanton, Paul Cloninger, Hugh Cherry, Ruth Coon, Tom Cornwell, W. Lawrence Dinger, Ralph Edwards, Ralph Garrison, Eugene Henkle, Clyde Hovis, Odell Hovis, Lee Harrill, Jeel P. Hull, Guy Hoyle, Harry Heavner, Paul Heavner, J. P. W. Hill, Noah Howell, Herman Heavner, Wilbur Halliwell, Edgar Johnson, Carlton Jetton, Frank Keener, Jack Kiser, Francis Sherrill, Hugh Sherrill, Lester Self, Ralph Shuford, A. M. Seagle, Dennis Sigmon, DeLo Sherrill, J. P. Sigmon, Zeb R. Saine, Zeb Taylor, Ralph Wilson, Ray Wilkinson, Ernest Wise, Crauney Woolley, Dorothy Young.

Poultry Club.

Austin A. Cernethy, Hattie Armstrong, Tom Abernathy, Jennie Brown, M. D. Beam, Katie Beam, Joe Beam, Baxter Beam, Ross Beam, J. C. Beam, L. B. Beam, Grier Beam, Craig Beam, One Beam, Mildred Beam, Wray Beam, J. C. Beam, Perry Beam, Sloan Brotherton, Estus Beatty, Lula Belle Black, J. B. Blackburn, Archie Baker, Vivin Biggs, Jack Baxter, S. P. Beal, Nettie Bell, Ethel Burke, Frances Bynum, Eule Baxter, Ernest Brackett, L. R. Bane, Holly Beatty, Boston Bess, Mary Baxter, Carrie Campbell, Annie Mae Cagle, Louise Caudle, Rowe Carpenter, Viola Cloninger, Era Clanton, Mrs. J. C. Crooks, Ophie Cook, Aubrey Campbell, Ruth Cherry, Pauline Cornwell, Carol Carpenter, Frank Canipe, Hazelle Cashin, Ray Carpenter, Irene Caldwell, Joseph Caldwell, T. J. Dellinger, Edith Dellinger, Cora Dellinger, Edith Edwars, Walter Edwards, Fred Eaker, Roy E. Eaker, Taltha Foster, Ralph Foster, John Goss, Annie Lou Gordon, Lloyd Williams, Grace, Eula Garrison, Beula Husa, Farel Hully, Audie Hullett, Paul Harrell, Guy Haus, Craft Howell, Carrie Hallinan, Lee Hovis, John Heavner, Joel P. Hull, Verne House, Elsie Haynes, Oliver Huss, Robert Hoyle, Lloyd Henkle, John Henkle, Gladys Houser, May Haynes, Mrs. J. W. P. Hill, Paul Jetton, James Jetton, Carlton Jetton, Bryte Keener, Irene Lineberger, Clara Lineberger, Grace F. Holland Lockman, Kate Leatherman, Pressly Leatherman, Don Laws, Howard Loomhardt, Daniel Little, Alvin Little, Latta McConnell, Mabel Michael, Lee Hall, Clarence Mill J. C. Morrison, Ernest Nantz, Jessie Nixon, Frank Nixon, Ernest Prentice, Precious Querer, Rosa Belle Quicker, Fred Rhodes, Dan Rhyne, W. G. Rinck, Lula Ritchie, Mrs. J. R. Reinhardt, Roy Ruth Pink Robinson, Hendon Robinson, Marcel Rudisill, Bryte Royester, Everett Shrum, Irene Shuford, Haris D. Shuford, Guy Shuford, Chas. W. Shuford, Mary B. Sigmon, Irene Shrum, Zeb R. Saine, Claude Self, Hugh Sherrill, Lee Spook, Ednomia Shuford, Francis Sherrill, Ralph Sherrill, Warren Sherrill, Clyde Taylor, Joseph Whitener, T. A. Warrick, Hugh Warrick, Mrs. J. E. Warrick, Clara D. Waters, Chas. W. Woolley, Thelma Woynt, Clyde Woynt, Elmer Wise, Dorothy Yont, Yoder Yoder, Fred Yoder, Charlie Yoder, Paul Carpenter, Exia Mae Shrum, Yates Leatherman.

On Probation.

The court may place any delinquent coming within its jurisdiction on probation, under such times or conditions as may be prescribed, which may be modified at any time. The conditions may provide that (a) the probationer shall reside in no unlawful or injurious habits; (b) shall avoid places or persons of disreputable or harmful characters; (c) shall report to the probation officers directed by the court; (d) the probation officer shall visit him; (e) he shall answer all reasonable inquiries made by the court; (f) he shall attend school regularly if within compulsory school age; (g) work faithfully at suitable employment; (h) shall remain within specified places or locality; (i) may if the court chooses to impose one; (j) make restitution or compensation for actual damage or loss caused by his offense, under such conditions as the court shall determine; and (k) shall make payment for the support of legal dependents as required by law. The court is to determine the duration of the probation.

Penitentiary Club—Alton Carpenter and Wanda Keener.

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Octon Club—Pat Harrill, Fred McAllister, J. W. P. Hill, Paul Harrell, Clyde Ritchie, Clem Harmon, Ray Carpenter, E. M. Wise and Edwin Taylor.

A conference of the county agricultural agents of the Piedmont district will be held in Statesville June 10, 11 and 12. Mr. E. S. Millspaugh, of the Piedmont district embraces 23 counties in this section of the State. The agents are called together for a discussion of the agricultural progress and how it may be continued.

THE JUVENILE COURTS

Provision For The Control And Protection of Wayward and Uncontrolled Children—Punishment For Parents Who Neglect Children.

An important act of the last Legislature, now in effect, provides for the establishment of "Juvenile Courts." The act gives to the Superior Courts exclusive and original jurisdiction in cases of children under 16 and then establishes the Juvenile Courts as a separate department of the Superior courts, with the Superior Court clerk as judge of the Juvenile Court.

Who Are Delinquents.

Any child under 16 (a) who is a delinquent or who violates any municipal or State law or ordinance, or who is a truant, unruly, wayward, or misdirected; or who is abandoned or parents or beyond their control; or who is in danger of becoming so; or (b) who is neglected, or who engages in any occupation, calling or exhibition, or is found in any place where a child is forbidden by law to be and for permitting which an adult may be punished by law; or who is in such condition or surroundings or is under such improper or insufficient guardianship or control as to endanger the morals, general welfare or health of such child; or (c) who is dependent on a public support or who is destitute, homeless, or who is in the custody of a person of whose character, habits, or conduct, or whose custody is a subject of controversy, is subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; and mayors and magistrates and all other courts inferior to the Superior court have no jurisdiction.

Sessions of the Juvenile Court Not Public.

Sessions of the Juvenile court will be held at such times and places within the county as the judge may determine. When a case is heard all persons except those having a direct interest in the case may be excluded from the records may be held from public view, and the judge may, in his discretion, except that such records shall be open to parents or guardians or other authorized representatives of the child concerned. No child brought within the jurisdiction of the court shall be disqualified to give evidence, or to be examined, or to be a witness, or to be adjudged a criminal, and the adjudication of his case shall not be termed a conviction.

Protection of the Child

The entire purpose of the act is to provide for the protection of children neglected by their parents, or children who have no parents or natural guardians, or children whose parents fail to control. Any person who knows of such a case can report it for investigation and if it is found that the child needs attention, the court may (a) place the child on probation; (b) place the child in the custody of a relative or other fit person whom the court may select, the child to continue under the jurisdiction of the court and subject to the supervision of a probation officer; (c) commit the child to the custody of the State Board of Child Welfare, or to the custody of a suitable family home and supervise its care; (d) commit the child to a suitable institution maintained by the State, or any subdivision thereof or to any suitable private institution, society or association incorporated under the laws of this State, or approved by the State Board of Child Welfare and Public Welfare; (e) or render such further judgment or make such order as is provided by law.

Separate From Adults Offenders

No child who comes within the provisions of this act shall be placed in any penal institution, jail or lockup or other place where it will come in contact with any adult who is convicted of or charged with crime. Places of detention may be provided for the judge may arrange to board children in private homes, under the care of fit persons until the case shall be disposed of. If a detention home is established by the county it shall be conducted as a private home, under the direction of a superintendent and matron, who shall reside therein.

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Placing a delinquent on probation.

In placing a delinquent on probation, the court may, if he deems it wise, return him to the care of his parents or guardians, under the restrictions imposed, or may select some other person in case the parents or guardian are deemed unfit. While awaiting a hearing the delinquent may be released in custody of parent or guardian or some other person, or released on bail as provided by law. Parents, guardians or other persons summoned to appear in these courts and who fail to appear and abide the

order of the court, will be subject to action for contempt.

Officers and Court Costs.

The County Superintendent of schools is made the incorporation officer of the county and the court may appoint one or more suitable persons to serve as probation officers under its jurisdiction, the appointment may be approved by the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, and the probation officers can only be discharged by the consent of the State Board. The salary of the probation officers will be paid by the county when it is approved by the Superior Court Judge, but no person who is not approved by the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare will be paid. Probation officers who must keep informed as to the conduct and conditions surrounding persons on probation, are clothed with all the powers of a peace officer. The judge of the Juvenile Court is to be paid "a reasonable compensation" for his services, the amount to be determined by the county commissioners, and paid by the county, and the compensation to be in addition to his salary as clerk of the court. Witnesses in the Juvenile Court may be paid traveling expenses (no provision for witness fees), when the same are approved by the judge of the Superior Court, this to be paid by the county. The expenses of a delinquent committed to the care of a private person or an institution, must also be met by the county unless the fact is established that parents or guardians are able to pay the same. Probation officers who must keep informed as to the conduct and conditions surrounding persons on probation, are clothed with all the powers of a peace officer. The judge of the Juvenile Court is to be paid "a reasonable compensation" for his services, the amount to be determined by the county commissioners, and paid by the county, and the compensation to be in addition to his salary as clerk of the court. Witnesses in the Juvenile Court may be paid traveling expenses (no provision for witness fees), when the same are approved by the judge of the Superior Court, this to be paid by the county. The expenses of a delinquent committed to the care of a private person or an institution, must also be met by the county unless the fact is established that parents or guardians are able to pay the same.

Care in Commitment.

In committing delinquents to an institution or other custodial agency not controlled by the State, or in placing the child under other than its natural guardian, the court may, in its discretion, select institutions or associations governed by persons of like religious faith as the child or its parents or guardians. The court may upon request of parents or guardians, release the delinquent from such custodial care whenever it deems it in the best interest of the child in case of complaint.

Medical examination of children may be ordered and their treatment provided for.

If mentally deficient they may be committed to the home for feeble-minded children and epileptics. In this action shall not be taken until parents or guardians are heard. State, county and municipal officers are required to co-operate with the Juvenile courts in furthering its jurisdiction.

Other Courts.

Cities of 10,000 or more population by the last census are required to establish Juvenile courts for the municipality, the recorder or municipal judge to be the judge of the Juvenile Court, unless another is appointed to that duty. These cities must also appoint probation officers and pay all salaries of the court, by agreement with the county commissioners. The county Juvenile Court is utilized by the city, but unless the county commissioners agree these cities must provide their own court machinery at their own expense. Towns of 5,000 or more population, in which there is a recorder or mayor, may establish a separate Juvenile Court if they desire.

Responsibility.

Parent, guardian or other person responsible for a child, who fail to exercise due diligence in its care and protection and permit it to become a delinquent, or who connives at improper conduct on the part of a child shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The judge of the Juvenile court also has jurisdiction in case of adults who keep children out of school in violation of the compulsory school laws, in case of adults who employ children who have run away from home or from the jurisdiction of the court and in case of parents who neglect their children and make no effort to restrain or control them.

LENOIR DASTARDLY ACT

At a public meeting held in the Presbyterian church, colored, Monday night resolutions were passed by the colored people of Lenoir condemning in no uncertain terms the dastardly act of Tom Gwin, the negro charged with outraging the 16-year old daughter of Mr. John Hildebrand, a prominent Catawba county farmer on Tuesday evening of last week. The resolutions are couched in no uncertain terms and show the real feelings of the average class of colored citizens of Lenoir.

A statement by one of the colored men connected with the meeting also shows the feeling among the colored people here. He says: "We wish to make it known to the public that we as a whole do regret and condemn in the highest terms the low and cowardly act, the treacherous crime that was committed by a member of our race, and we want the people to know how we feel about it."

SOLDIERS OF THE WORLD WAR.

Information is wanted showing the number of Lincoln county men who served in the army or navy in any capacity, during the World War. Soldiers themselves are asked to furnish this information, or ex-soldiers, in fact, any one who will do so is asked to furnish data.

Write plainly on a sheet of paper and mail or bring to News office, Lincolnton the following facts: Name of Soldier or ex-Soldier. Home address. Present address. Date of entering service. Branch of service in which he served. Date of discharge. If still in service so state, giving branch of service and present address. Names of those killed or who died while in service; date of entering. Date of service, and cause of death. State any other facts as to service, etc.

Raleigh has been selected as a site for an aerial mail station, the station to be located about one mile from the city.

BASEBALL DOPE.

(By the Sports Reporter)

Lincolnton's prospects for a fast baseball team this season are extremely bright and under the able leadership of manager Tilson an exceptionally fast aggregation has been garnered which will represent Lincolnton in the world of base ball. Almost every afternoon finds the candidates out for practice at Hoke field and the ring of wood on leather has started, as it does each spring, fond hopes and expectations in the breasts of the loyal fans. New uniforms are to be ordered in the near future and a schedule of games arranged with towns in the vicinity of Lincolnton and some hard fought games are expected this summer. Several games have been played already and each contest for a first class amateur pitcher who it is expected will add strength to the club. Of the trio of hurlers, Green, Rudisill and Goodson, only one, Rudisill, is expected to remain with the club. Green, the one best bet, an erratic, careless youth has made arrangements to pitch for the Brookfield team. When right he is a hard man to beat being possessed of a nice assortment of hooks and speed to burn. He should go great with Brookfield. Goodson, who has been pitching since the San Francisco earthquake, has suddenly developed a "Charley Horse" and is as wild as the famous March hare. Only Rudisill remains in condition and he is off on a trip to Baltimore. Of the rest of the team all are in tip top condition. Beal, L. A., steady young catcher who will handle the receiving end for the team and play it well, is a ball around the bases with an ease and accuracy which has surprised even himself and been a source of delight to Mgr. Tilson. Of the infield, Beal, C. and Tobeay at second base and short field respectively have been covering ground like the prohibition movement and leaving the rest of the infield in the ash. The pair should be ripe for the minor leagues in a couple of seasons should they desire to take up baseball as a profession. At third is stationed Edwards, a versatile player who can play any position on the team and play it well. He is a ball around the bases with an ease and accuracy which has surprised even himself and been a source of delight to Mgr. Tilson. Of the outfield, Beal, C. and Tobeay at second base and short field respectively have been covering ground like the prohibition movement and leaving the rest of the infield in the ash. The pair should be ripe for the minor leagues in a couple of seasons should they desire to take up baseball as a profession. At third is stationed Edwards, a versatile player who can play any position on the team and play it well. He is a ball around the bases with an ease and accuracy which has surprised even himself and been a source of delight to Mgr. Tilson. Of the outfield, Beal, C. and Tobeay at second base and short field respectively have been covering ground like the prohibition movement and leaving the rest of the infield in the ash. The pair should be ripe for the minor leagues in a couple of seasons should they desire to take up baseball as a profession.

Contract for at least 500 airplanes of the very latest type would be awarded American manufacturers under plans prepared by the army service air service and sent to Secretary Baker for his consideration. The primary purpose would be to keep the aviation industry in condition as would insure its rapid expansion in meet the requirements of a nation emergency.

A "complete and comprehensive settlement" of all claims between the United States and Great Britain growing out of the military operations has been raised by the American liquidation commission. Secretary Baker announces that under the settlement, the British government would pay the United States \$35,000,000 as a net and final adjustment.

Refusing an offer made by the International Paper Company of approximately 10 per cent increase in wages in a new working agreement which was to go into effect Saturday, 50,000 members of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers employed in this country struck between midnight and 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

At the Mount Oliver school, near Pittsburgh, Penn., Howard Henk, aged seven, accidentally swallowed a whole peanut kernel which lodged in his larynx, causing him to choke to death in the presence of his schoolmates and several teachers.

Sheriff Krider, of Rowan county, has removed T. C. Williams, charged with criminal assault, to the Mecklenburg jail to await the next term of Rowan court. No threats of violence have reached the sheriff's ears, but he is going to be on the safe side.

A bottle was recently found in Long Island sound containing a message from U. S. S. Cyclops, the collier which vanished on a voyage from the Barbados in 1917. The message merely stated that the Cyclops was sinking and gave the latitude and longitude.

Within two miles of Greenboro city limits 4,500 gallons of beer were discovered and destroyed by county officers. Under distillation this beer would yield 300 gallons of corn whiskey. The officers found reason to believe that the still and 100 gallons of whiskey had been hurriedly removed. No arrests were made.

Gastonia is to have a daily paper and it will probably be known as The Evening Gazette. It will be published every afternoon except Sunday. The date of its initial appearance has not been given but it will probably be about the first of September. It will be published by the publishers of The Gazette.

Charles Hopkins, an immigration inspector, and three unidentified Mexicans were killed, and two men seriously wounded, one perhaps fatally, in an exchange of shots between American officers and Mexican smugglers seven miles southeast of Laredo, Tex., Thursday night.

Seven gypsies were arrested in Raleigh Thursday night on vagrancy charges and two out of that number were arraigned before United States Commissioner W. P. Batchelor for alleged violation of the Mann White Slave Act. They were required to furnish \$1,000 bond for their appearance in Federal court.

The coroner's jury, after holding an inquest over the body of A. L. Rook, who was shot in Gastonia while officers were chasing him and three companions charged with store breaking, gave the verdict that he was shot by one of two officers, A. B. Hord or Carl E. Wright. The findings of the jury were filed with the clerk of the court and will be investigated by the grand jury at the next term of court. Rook's body was shipped to Greenville, S. C., for burial.

Captain Robert G. Cherry was on Friday night unanimously elected mayor of Gastonia at an adjourned meeting of the City Council by the newly elected councilors, who have assumed charge of the city's affairs under the city manager plan of municipal government. Other city officials elected are: Mayor Fred Tom, A. L. Kinget; recorder J. C. Jones; assistant recorder, Bismarck Capps; assistant prosecuting attorney, E. R. Warren; city attorney, P. W. Garland; city physician, Dr. C. J. McCombs; city clerk, S. G. Fry; city tax collector, V. G. Grier, who was also appointed tax list taker.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS

Four Virginia officers have been indicted, charged with killing two alleged bootleggers March 26.

The North Carolina Bar Association will hold its annual meeting in Greensboro during the latter part of next month or early in July.

The 11th annual Evangelical Lutheran convention and ministerium of North Carolina convened in the Union Lutheran Church, near Salisbury, Wednesday. Rev. C. A. Brown, of China Grove, preached the opening sermon. A layman's meeting, in connection with the convention, was held Thursday.

A gold medal awarded annually by Clarence Clapp, of Newton, in memory of his father, Rev. J. C. Clapp, D. D., to the student delivering the best oration in a contest at Catawba college, was won this year by Vance Heavner.

Paul Crowder and John Liles, of Wadesboro, both negroes, have been arrested on a charge of wrecking Seaboard passenger train No. 15, near Lileriville, several nights ago. Two negroes were seen near the track before the wreck, and the arrest is the result of an investigation of detectives.

Twenty-two American women doctors, nurses and motor drivers, comprising the staff of the American women's hospital No. 1, near Lileriville, France, have been decorated by the French government for their services in the war and in combating an epidemic following the armistice, according to word received in New York at headquarters of the American women's hospital.

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Sheriff Krider, of Rowan county, has removed T. C. Williams, charged with criminal assault, to the Mecklenburg jail to await the next term of Rowan court. No threats of violence have reached the sheriff's ears, but he is going to be on the safe side.

A bottle was recently found in Long Island sound containing a message from U. S. S. Cyclops, the collier which vanished on a voyage from the Barbados in 1917. The message merely stated that the Cyclops was sinking and gave the latitude and longitude.

Within two miles of Greenboro city limits 4,500 gallons of beer were discovered and destroyed by county officers. Under distillation this beer would yield 300 gallons of corn whiskey. The officers found reason to believe that the still and 100 gallons of whiskey had been hurriedly removed. No arrests were made.

Gastonia is to have a daily paper and it will probably be known as The Evening Gazette. It will be published every afternoon except Sunday. The date of its initial appearance has not been given but it will probably be about the first of September. It will be published by the publishers of The Gazette.

Charles Hopkins, an immigration inspector, and three unidentified Mexicans were killed, and two men seriously wounded, one perhaps fatally, in an exchange of shots between American officers and Mexican smugglers seven miles southeast of Laredo, Tex., Thursday night.

Seven gypsies were arrested in Raleigh Thursday night on vagrancy charges and two out of that number were arraigned before United States Commissioner W. P. Batchelor for alleged violation of the Mann White Slave Act. They were required to furnish \$1,000 bond for their appearance in Federal court.

The coroner's jury, after holding an inquest over the body of A. L. Rook, who was shot in Gastonia while officers were chasing him and three companions charged with store breaking, gave the verdict that he was shot by one of two officers, A. B. Hord or Carl E. Wright. The findings of the jury were filed with the clerk of the court and will be investigated by the grand jury at the next term of court. Rook's body was shipped to Greenville, S. C., for burial.

Captain Robert G. Cherry was on Friday night unanimously elected mayor of Gastonia at an adjourned meeting of the City Council by the newly elected councilors, who have assumed charge of the city's affairs under the city manager plan of municipal government. Other city officials elected are: Mayor Fred Tom, A. L. Kinget; recorder J