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PRES DENT WILSON'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Reccommends Early Return of Railroads to Private Ownership-First Message By Cable.

Washington, May 20.—President Wilson, in his mesage to congress today, recommended repeal to the war-time prohibition law—so far as it applies to wine and beer only; announced definitely that the railroad systems and telegraph and telephone lines would be returned to private ownership; urged revision of war taxes, particular, more time was required in order that more time was required in order that ged revision of war taxes, particular-ly to abolish the manufacturers and retail sales excises; and outlined generally a program respecting labor.

These were the "high spots" of the presidents message cabled from Paris. Besides that he again, urged enactforeign attacks; spoke for legislation to facilitate American enterprises through the expansion of shipping, and backed Secretary Lane's program for land for returning soldiers.

Of the Paris peace conference and the league of nations, the president enterprises them or express a judgment. He also avoided discussion of domestic legislation, at length because of the legislation of the legisla

legislation, at length because of his long absence from Washington. Congress heard an unique document; the only one of its kind ever transmitted across the ocean from a president on foreign shore. For the first time in six years it heard a presidential mesage read by a reading clerk in stead of assembling to hear the presdent deliver an address in person.

The recommendations for the repeal

of war-time prohibition and for reof war-time probibition and for re-turn of the rail and wire systems, while not unexpected by some, con-tained the greatest element of sur-prise and provoked the most wide-spread comment of the many tasks set before congress by the president. In his reference to prohibition, the president did not enter extensively in-to the consideration involved. Demok-

to the consideration involved. Demob-ilization, he said, merely "has pro-gressed to such a point that it seems to me entirely safe now to remove the ban upon the manufacture and sale of wines and beers." This ban, laid several months ago to become effect-tive July1, could only be removed, the president said, by congresional enact-

His recommendation regarding return of the raliways and wire lines was the first authoritative declaration by the administration, of its future policy and greatly surprised many members who had interpreted the developement of the past few months to mean that Mr. Wilson eventually would propose some form of permanent government operation. On the contrary, the directness of the president's declaration on that point left no doubt that he was through with any possible scheme of permanent re-tention.

"The telegraph and telephone lines, said the mesage, will, of course, be returned to their owners as soon as the transfer can be effected without administrative confusion. * * * The railroads will be handed over to their owners at the end of the calendar

In the case of each the President ask ed for legislation to make easier the readjustments necessitated by the change.

In his recommendation for readjustment of taxation the president made it clear that he did not expect a fun-damental readjustment of the demo-cratic tariff rates that have been onerative for the past five years. He asked for tariff changes only to protect special new interests like the dye stuffs industry. Some reductions were advocated in war time excess profits taxes and the present taxes on retail sales the president thought could be

what will be the zeply of the re-publican congres to these proposals, became at once the topic of discussions everywhere about the capitol. returning the railroads, it gen-

erally was conceded, the republican leaders will readily give the president their co-operation. But as to prohibi-tion and tariff and internal taxation, the case was more dobtful. These are problems on which no

very clear sentiment apparently has been formed in either of the great

The recommendations regarding labor were general, but the president called attention to the need for a partnership between capital and labor and a genuine "democratization of indus-

On tariff revision the president said the United States should have the means of properly protecting itself when there was danger of descrinination against it by foreign nations.

"Though we are as far as possible

from desiring to enter upon a course of retaliation," he said, "we must of retaliation, he said, we hads "frankly face the fact that hostile le-gislation by other nations is not be-yond the range of possibilities, and that it may have to be met by counter legislation.
"Although the United States will

gladly and unhesitatingly join in the program of international disarmament, it will nevertheless, be a policy of obvious prudence to make certain of a successful maintenance of many strong and well equipped chemical

Overpowering the sheriff and at the same time placing a bonfire under him, after saturating his head with cil. The negro died while a fusinde of shots were being fired into his body. M. G. Cockrill, a departure, was internally injured with a raidroad iron, which the mob had used to batter down the doors of the jail. Clay was charged with assaulting a white girl.

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GERMANS GIVEN

7 MORE DAYS

A Paris dispatch published today says that a period of seven days of grace has been extended to Germany by the representatives of the allied and associated government in which

more time was required in order that they might formulate argument of much importance.

Almost simultaneously with the request by the peace ple potentiaries for more time comes from Berlin a statement of the German cabinet that tional amendment; recommended that the tariff laws be supplied with teeth to protect American industry against foreign attacks; spoke for legislation to facilitate American enterprises. men in Germany that the sealing of the compact would spell the ruin of

NC-4 TO START FLIGHT TO LISBON AT DAYBREAK.

Penta Delgada, May 21.—Lieuten-ant Commander A C. Read announced tonight that the engine trouble which caused postponement of the which caused postponement of the flight of the NC-4 for Lisbon this morning has been remedied. The will start at daybreak morrow, weather permitting,

said.

The wrecked plane NC-3 has been brought into the beach where it is being dismantled, preparatory to shipment of the United States on the tender Melville

Commander John H. Towers timated today that it would one hundred machanies months to put the machine three proper flying condition.

PRESBYTERIANS TO MEET-

IN CHARLOTTE NEXT YEAR
New Orleans, May 19.—Charlotte,
N. C., was elected today as the meeting place next year of the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian
church, in fifty-ninth annual session
here.

here.
The assembly late today decided to postpone until tomorrow action on committee recommendations for federation with the Northern Presbyteran church.

Rev. W. R. Dobyns, of St. Joseph Mo., announced that in event the as-sembly rejects federation with al Presbyterian bodies, he proposes to present a plan for organic union with the Northern Presbyterian church. This anuoncement was made following receipt of dispatches from St. Louis telling of the rejection of federation by the Northern church.

BATTLE DEATHS NUMBERED 1, 652.

Division's Casualty List Revised—Total Casualities In American Forces Aboard During War 286,044. Washington, May 15 .- The war de-

par'ment issued a statement today showing the "battle deaths" and and wounded by divisions. The figures for the 27th, a New York division, and the 30th, mace up of Torressee, South Carolina and North Carolina troops, are interesting.
The 27th sustained 1,791 battle

deaths, and the 30th 1,652. The 27th hed 9,427 wounded, and 30th 9,429. The total deaths and wounded in battle were: For the 27th, 11,218, and for the 30th, 11,081.

Revised figures made public by the war department showed that the total casualties of the American expeditionary forces during the war was 286,044. Battle deaths numbered 48,909, and the total of wounded was placed at 237,135, with the explantic that this represented a duplication of about 7. 000 by reason of the fact that many men were wounded more than once.

DOINGS AT THE PARIS

PEACE CONFERENCE.

Associated Press report of the Paris peace conference says that before Thursday of present week shall have German peace plenipoten tiaries at Versailles are to make known in full to the delegates of the known in full to the delegates of the allied powers on what points of the peace treaty they acquiesce and what points they object to and desire mod-

Thursday is the time limit for the Germans to make known their views on the peace treaty that has been handed them. No extension has been granted the Germans, who are expected to present to the members of the peace congress a voluminous record of objections and of acceptances of the clauses of the document.

Marshal Foch is taking nothing for

granted as regards probable action of the Germans at Versailles. He has made a visit to the occupied area and has informed the council of four of the military preparations that have been made contingent on the Germans refusing to accept the allied peace

Likewise General Pershing, the American commander, is wide awake to the possibilities of the situation. A trip to London planned by him for the present week, where he was to be the guest of the British nation, has been indefinitely postponed, and he will re-main on the Rhine until all is settled at Versailles.

The majority of soldiers who en-tered the army from farms are re-turning to that work immediately up-on being discharged, according to an announcement by the department of spriculture. Careful surveys made by farm-help specialists were said to refute published statements that from 75 to 90 per cent. of the farmers in

GAS AS MEANS, OF . WAR.

While Germans Began Using It April 22, 1915, It Had Been Used As Early As 431 B. C .- Was Germany's Main Cause of Defeat.

Lieutenant Claffey, of the United States army medical corps now sta-tioned at Kenilworth hospital, tells the Asheville correspondent of the Greensboro News that "the thing that Germany hoped to win the war with-ras—was the main cause of her de-feat." He gave the correspondent this statement:

The use of gas, as a means of war fare by the armies of Europe, is nothing new, as we see by the reading of history. The first record of its use as recass as over-oming the enemy is found in the wars of the Athenians and Spartane (431 and 404 B. C.). About this time the Spartans used wood which was saturated with pitch and sulphur when besieging the cities of Pletca and Delium. The wood so saturated was burned under the walls of those cities in order to choke the defenders, thus rendering the assault less difficult. The Greeks under Con-stantine used what was then called "Greek Fire" to destroy the Saracens. The Saracens retaliated by using it as a means of defense against the Christians during the cruerds. The nature of this gas (Greek Fire" was sulphurous dioxide, a blinding smoke of an asphyxiating character.

Its use in modern warfare was by

the Germans on April 22, 1915, at Ypres, against the sector of trenches defended by the French and Cana-dians. The surprise was so complete and unexpected that the casualties were semething enormous. It was next used against an attacking French battelion on the 26th of April, and broke the assault completely. The character of gas at this time was chlorine. The method used was by means of tank containers, which were filled under pressure. Attached these containers were tubes with pit-cock, which carried up over the parapet and through them the gas is iberated. The gas in the containers was in a liquid state, but it was rapidly volatilized upon being released, and formed n dense cloud. The gas being heavier than air, when released under proper atmospheric conditions, rolled along the ground in the form of a dense greenish yellow cloud. When this cloud reached the front line

tranches of the enemy it settled down into all parts of them, penetrating even the dugouts, where it remained sometimes for several days. The success of these "gas clouds at-tacks" was entirely dependent on the atmospheric condition. The wind atmospheric condition. The wind first has to be in the direction of the nemy. Its velocity should be between three and fifteen miles an hour. Gentle rains and a stronger wind dis-tributes the gas too quickly and also diminshers its effect on the gas, but a

heavy rain washed it down. This method was found unsucessful after a while, due to proper watchfulness, first on the direction of the winds, and weather, secondly, to a low frequently the warning that the ene-

my were making a gas attack. Soon after this gas shells began to make their appearance and when the United States entered the war in April, 1917, the gas shell was being entered the war in used in all the armies .

The Germans, with all their boasted

efficiency, did not understand the ef-fectiveness of the fiendish stuff they were using. If they had, the United States might be defending its shores today from the blood-thirsty. Hun. For instance, the chlorine gas which they used first is probably dissipated within 35 of 40 minutes after its re-The Germans waited for 24 lease. hours before following up with their bayonets attack. It is very possible that the Germans would have taken Calcis that day if they had attacked within an hour.

The French and English were very reluctant to use these poison gases, as they deemed it inhumanitarian Our own government suffered from the same indecision carly in the war. However, there came a time when we had to resort to it, as did the French and English.

When we once decided to give the Hun a taste of his own medicine, we began to make the terrible weapon of modern warfare on an unprecedented scale. To what a degree this had gone may be grasped from the following.

The English with every facility for

the manufacture of toxic gases never reached a higher average than 30 tons The French did not attain a day. The French did not attain even this average. On the day the ar-mistice was signed the United States was producing nearly 200 tons a day with 1,800 tons stored ready for the filling of shells. is very doubtful if the Germans

It ever averaged more than 30 to 50 tons a day. Knowledge of what was in store for them is believed to have inmaking the gas on such a scale was a out 22 miles east of Baltimore. The tract of land was on a peninsula between the Buch and Gunpowder rivers.

This tract comprises about 350 acres of land. Here, hidden away on this Maryland farm land on the day of the armistice was located the largest poison gas factory in the world. It is an investment of close to \$60,000,000 to our government, and now lies idle and silent, but ready to opreate at a mo-

ment's notice.

This vast plant is a city of kilns, chimneys and buildings. It is laid out in independent units the chlorine, the chloropicine and mustard units, each with their own filling stations. Each of these units are fitted out with machinery of the finest type and most perfect installation. The plant is covered with miles of railway and ele-

CONGRESS OPENS WITH BOTH WISEMAN'S APPEAL TO BE HOUSES IN HANDS OF REPUB-

Representative Gillett, of Massachu-setts, was elected speaker of the house over Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, Democratic candidate and former speaker, by a vote of 227 to 172. Senator Cummins, of Iewa, the Re-

crat, 47 to 42. Several Democrats of the week he will be taken to were absent but all Republicans were in their seats, two withholding their votes.

The Depublicant of half holding all their seats of the higher court.

The Republicans of both bodies al-

Legislation dealing with railroads. telegraphs and telephones, woman-suffrage, prohibition, repeal of the luxury taxes and other pressing sub-jects are promised in the van of im-portant economic and reconstruction mestions. This legislation is expected by leaders to hold Congress in session almost continuously until the presi-dential convention of 1928. Investigation planned by Republicans of num-erous administration acts also are expected to begin in the near future with inauguration probable in the house in connection with appropriation bills.

When house members were sworn in, Representative Victor Berger, of Wisconsin, the lone socialist member, who was convicted of violation of the espiciage law, was presented from taking the oath, upon objection from Representative Dallinger, of Massachusetts, chairman of the elections committee. He was ordered by Speaker Gillett to standaside and was not allowed to address. not allowed to address the house, which adopted unanimous a resolu-tion authorizing a committee to in-vestigate his right to membership:

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No objection was raised from the senate floor to the seating of Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan, Republican, whose ciction is being contected by Henry Ford, Democrat. Formal notice of renewal of the Ford contest. crat. Formal notice of renewal of the Ford contest, with a requets for a committee investigation, was filed.

LENOIR COLLEGE COMMENCE

Lencir College Commencement, Hick-ory, will be held this a limits May 29, to June 2. Following is the program:

Thursday, May 29, 8:30 p. m .- Annual concert Friday, May 39, 8:30 p. m .- Junior: Oratorical Contest. Saturday, May 31, 11 a. m.—Sub Freshman Declamtion Contest. Saturday, May 31, 8:30 p. m.—Dra

matic Entertainment.
Sunday, June 1, 11 a. m.—Bacca-laureate Sermon by Rev. Charles S.
Bauslin, D. D., general secretary whistling sound on the estape of the Bauslin, D. D., general secretary gas from the containers, which was Board of Education United Lutheran church in America, Harrisburg, Pa. Sunday, June 1, 8:30 p. m.—Ad-dress before the College Luther Learue, by Rev. John C. Lietz, '98, Pastor

First Lutheran Church, Gastonia. Monday, June 2, 10:30 a. m .- Grad untion Exercises, Annual Address be fore the four Literary Societies, by Senator Derman Thompson, Atty Statesville.

Monday, June 2, 4:30 to 5:30 p. -Business meeting of Alumni As ociation. Monday, June 2, 6 to 8 p. ni.-Alu mni Banquet and speaking. The public cordially invited.

BICKETT APPEALS TO TAX AS

SESSORS.

Asheville, May 19 .- in an address here this afternoon before the county and district tax supervisors of Western North Carolina, Governor Bickett made an appeal that they comply to the most minute detail with the new tax system. The Governor went into the history of the new tax law and gave the reasons for its enactment. He stated that the real purpose of the new law is to have the tax books tell above." the entire truth instead of having only

a part of the truth. Former Governor Locke Craig also spoke to the tax commisioners and su. ervisors claiming that it is now in the hands of the tax men of the State to work out the destinies of the State and throw off his coat of hypocritical poverty. He attacked the former tax system and stated that it was unjust an antique.

ALUMNI DAY.

West Raleigh, N. C., May 20 .- Mon day, May 26th, has been especially set as Alumni Day of the commen e ment at the North Carolina State College, the dates of which are May fluenced Germany's currender. The College, the dates of which are Ma plant where the United States was 25 and 30. It is planted to make commencement week a big after-the war home-coming and many of State's 2000 service men, the majority whom have returned, are expected to be on hand for their class reunions and to renew the metaories of college life and acquaintances.

> he invented while the plant itself was under construction. Ground was broken on this vast plant in November, 1917, and by June, 1918, gas was being manufactured. When the armistice was signed a year later, it was running to its full capacity. Probable one of the most essential parts of this undertaking was the fact

that the plant was manned by soldiers

boys who for \$30 a month worked he-roically here without a chance for

honor or glory. At one time there were 14,000 of them employed there. These boys here risked their lives day by day for a mere pettance. Noth-

HEARD IN NOVEMBER

Shelby, Special to The Observer, May 19.—Aaron Wiseman of Avery Washington, May 19.—The 66th, or "reconstruction," Congress, called into extracurdinary session by President Wilson from Paris, convened at noon today and Republican majorities in senate and house organized both bodies.

Representative Gillett, of Massachus Representative Representative Gillett, of Massachus Representative R ly his execution will be stayed until the supreme court taes up the cases from this judical district in November

Wiseman was to have been taken Saturday to Raleigh, but urgently in-sisted on the sheriff permitting him to remain in the local jail until the last publican candidate, was chosen president pro tempore of the senate over ident pro tempore of the senate over Senator Pittman, of Navada Demo-

The Republicans of both bodies also elected full states of other officers and thus, for the first time since 1911, returned to control of the American national legislature.

Legislation dealing with railroads. true. On first ballot the jury stood nine for conviction and three for acquittal and on the second ballot eleven for conviction and one for acquittal.

RAISED \$1,000 CASH BOND AND MAKES DEPARTURE.

Gastonia Gazette. William Quarterbum, one of the two men arrested here Tuesday with 140 quarts of whiskey bound for Agusta, Ga., yesterday gave bond in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance at the May

term of superior court and left the city on an afternoon train for his home. was sentenced to 10 months on the county roads, two months of the sentence being for carrying a conceal weapon and eight months for transporting and keeping whiskey for sale. Following his appeal from Judge Jones' sentence he was brought back to the county jail from the county roads to await trial and through his attorneys a telegram was dispatched to one who he was sure would come to

will probably be sold and the proceeds together with Quarterbum's bond, in the superior court, which officers think is very doubtful, turned over to the school funds of the county.

Van Dyke, a companion of Quarter-

bum who was driving the car and who was given a 60 days road semence, is being held in county jail. Physically, he is in no condition to do the work that will be required of him in the construction of roads in Gaston county.

ture from France some time in June. The 81st has been assigned to early convoy, acording to announcement to-day of the war department . No announcement is yet forthcoming regarding the port at which the troops vill land.

The 81st division will be the third division to sail in June. Order of de-parture is given in the following stateent by the war department, based on ables from General Pershing :

"The sixth and seventh divisions were released May 8 and the fourth nd fifth divisions were released May 10 to be prepared for return to United

"Following is probable order of de arture of divisions already released

but not yet embarked: "May, 80th, 36th and 88th

"June, 90th, 5th, 81st 40th, 6th and "Schedules of departure, based upor ength of service and time of release have been necessarily modified due to increase in third army to necessity of avoiding delay in utilizing ships orriving at different ports, and to neces sity of utilizing rail facilities to each port as these facilities become avail

able. These considerations may mod-

ibly order of departure as announced

SAYS EVERY MUNICIPALITY SHOULD BAR FIREWORKS Raleigh, May 9.—That every mu-nicipality in North Carolina, including

the incorporated villages that have governing bodies, should lose no time include rigid prohibition of the sale The world war requirements every avaidable sort of munition for war service has contributed largely

the past two years at least, to the great reduction of this sort of celebration and the corresponding diminua-tion of deaths or injuries to persons on these holidays. Manufacturers largely withdrawn fireworks from the market. Now with the war over and commercial exploitation of fireworks esumed by the manufacturers, local dealers will be induced to lay in stock if the municipal authorities do not

The commissioners would have the women's clubs, safety leagues and the civic organizations in the various North Carolina towns back up their town authorities in putting a perma-nent stop to the sale as well as the use town authorities in putting a

WEBB'S APPOINTMENT EXPECTED ABOUT JUNE 1
Washington, Mr.y 19.—It is understood that the appointment of Repre-

sentative Webb to the western distret

SUNDAY SPORTS AND AMUSE-MENTS ATTACKED BY PRESBY.

ities, including recommendations stricking at Sunday sports and amusemen's, and routine business mark-ed the third day's session of the pipe, were taken.

day.
The question of giving full proval to the inter-clarch world recoment, which developed as one of the hig issues of the assembly, was in the hands of a committee today and the proposition is expected to be presented for action at the general session next veck.

Unqualified condemnation of "des nation of the Sableth" through the legalization of Sunday baseball and metion pictures was contained in the report of the special commit-tee on "Subbath observance," which

tee on "Sibbath observative deamrecommended with a determined campaign be carried on to bri g about
a Caristian Sibbath."

The report recorded emphatic disapproval of the Sucday rewspaper
and urged colleges to chainate recitations on Monday mornings to relieve, students of the necessity of
Sunday study. The resolutions commended Pacsident Wilan and Secremended Pacsident Wilan and Secreboarding a ship for home. She died
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Fla., in a two seated again.

Mrs. Louisa Grove, of Hanover, Pa.,
aged 60 years, died last week from a
stroke of apoplexy which was brought
on by excitement and joy when she
received a letter from her son in
France. He wrote that by the time
she received his letter he would be
boarding a ship for home. She died
within a few hours after receiving
letter. the war.

THE CORRECT ATTITUDE

Colored citizens of Caldwell county n public meeting, passed resolu-ions condemning the infamous crime committed by a member of their race against a young white woman in Catawha county. These colored neople wanted if known, they said, that they condemned such crimes on the part of their race and they wanted the work. He was being taken to Mawhite people to know their real attiwhite people to know their real atti-tude. Unbinsed whites know that there are many good, honest colorepeople who detest the conduct of the criminals of their race, but to often their silence, when a particularly atrocious crime is committed, is con-This is often unjust to the class of colored people mentioned, but only by an open and outspoken attitude can they fix their real status. And there is another class of colored people, all too large, who secretly sympathize with the criminals of their race, solely for race reasons, and who date of the colored people, all the criminals of their race, solely for race reasons, and who date of the colored people, all the criminals of their race, solely for race reasons, and who date of the colored people of the two largest bodies of Presbyterians, the Northern and Southern was the big issue before the assembly. The concine according to the colored people of the south grant of the two largest bodies of Presbyterians, the Northern and Southern was the big issue before the assembly. The concine according to the colored people of the south grant strued as an attitude of indifference lashes and the unjust treatment of

EIGHTY-FIRST DIVISION

WILL SAIL DURING JUNE

Washington, May 18.—The 81st division, in which are included many drafted men from North and South Carolina, is now scheduled for departure from France some time in June.

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Classes and the unjust treatment of the colored the colored that conference to be held in New Orleans next fall, has gone to Europe to investigate textile conditions and discuss international relations between textile inductries. The delegation will be in Europe two manths visiting cotton manfacturing associations in the large cotton manfacturing associations in the large cotton manfacturing centers. and a better understanding between the races; an understanding that the bureau of markets, department of tice.-Statesville Landmark.

CATAWBA COUNTY TO

VOTE ON ROAD BONDS The general assembly of North Carolina instructed the board of commissioners of Catawha county to call an election for the purpose of letting the people say by their votes whether or not they desire to have issued \$500,000 in bonds, \$100,000 to be used in taking up the Newton township bonds for roads and the remaining \$400,000 to be used for the construction of roads in Catawba county. The act cally for new registration and every citizen of the county wishing to vote in said election either for or againsst the discharged men. Lieut. Myrone Lack-roads is required to register for this special election. The act also calls for actually committing the act of vandalthe appointment of a road commissioner from each township. The election will be held on July 12.

PREDICTS SENATE WILL NOT ACCEPT.

Washington, May 19. - Senator odge, republican leader and chairman of the foreign relations commit. Abingdon, Va. He will be brought to tee, in a statement tonic it, declared Wilkes county by Deputy Sheriff that the revised league of rations "is Bumgarner and tried in the August unacceptable by the majority of the senate without amendment.

Characterizing the new league cove-

nant as included in the peace treaty convict, sent there from Madison as "distinctly worse than the old and county for selling whishey, escaped governing bodies, should lose no time as "Cistinctly worse than the old and county for selling whishey, escape in seeing to it that local ordinaces more dangerous to the peace of the include rigid prohibition of the sale as well as the use of fireworks for Fourth of July or other holiday cele
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The results of the sale and the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the control of the control of the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey, escape from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was respectively to the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have been decreased as the county for selling whishey have

David Lawrence, the newspaper correspondent who has made a trip through the Western States, says he found sentiment strong for McAdoo as the next Democratic candidate, and General Leonard Wood, as the Republican candidate.

All the bir cotton mile at Concord, N. C., are shut down, perhaps for weeks, and the city is losing \$10,000 a day in wages. The trouble is strike ordered by the mill union. The hands asked for arbitration but definitely and finally prohibit their mill owners refuse. Many families are

V. J. Coleman, of Asheville, was S. C. The shooting occurred after a disagreement between the two men. At last report West had not been cap-

Mrs. Thomas S. Rollins, of Ashejudgeship will be announced about the be named by Frank A. Lineny, chair-first of June. In the naming of a man of the State Republican executive first of June. In the naming of a man of the State Republican executive new man there is no reflection on the committee. It is part of the national ability of Judge James E. Boyd. The plan of the Republicans to enlist the work of the district has become taxing, with the increase in the number the State where they cannot vote, it rence was taken to a hospital at Gastonia and is expected to recover.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS

TERIAN CHURCH.

St. Leuis, May 17.—Reports of committees on various church activities.

Thursday, a body of raiders, headed by the head of the Cherokee Indian reservation, captured a still near Jackson county. One of the distillucture of the committees of the country of the c Jackson county. One of the distillers was a full-blooded Indian. Two gallens of whiskey, which had been poisoned by the use of galvanized

one handred and theity-first general assembly to the Precoyterian Church in the United States of America to-

The railroad administration will scon put into effect special rates of two-thirds the usual round trip charges for travel to religious fraternal and educational meetings. It is not yet known the date when this will

become effective. In a flight lasting an hour and 54 minutes, Lieutenants Ralph J. Johnson and Mark R. Woodward set a new world's record, making 457 consecutive loops in that time. The flight was made at Calstrom field, Arcadia, Fla., in a two seated fighting plane.

Last week, Deputy Sheriff H. M. Blankenship, of McDowell county, W. Va., was shot and killed near Bluefield, W. Va., when a party of officers, engaged in leading a still on a trall, was attacked by three alleged moonshiners. Blankenship, shot and seriously wounded Will Murray, a member of the attacking party, before he ber of the attacking party, before he

con, Ga., by Sheriff O. I. Smith, when about 150 men blocked his road de-manding the negro. His body was found later riddled with bullets. Wa-

cetton manufacturers, appointed by the executive commission of the world

would insure a fuller measure of jus- agriculture, farmers who have ordered nitrate of soda from the department must have their orders for shipment reach Washington by June All shipping orders received after this North hoard distribution of the nitrate of suda and close the arrangement with the war department through which the nitrate was secured.

Sergeant James E. McAnally, at Souther field, was court-martialed on charges of participating in descrating the Wirtz monument at Ander-sonville, Ga., and sentenced to theree months bard labor at Fort McPherson and to forfeit half his pay during that time. McAnally named two recently ey and his brother, Harold Lackey, as ism. It is understood that every pos-sible effort will be made to bring the men to trial.

Monroe Sheppard, of Union town ship, Wilkes county, who shot and killed Ambrose Darnell, last Sep-tember over a game of cards, has been captured and is now in jail at Abingdon, Va. He will be brought to term of court. His victim died at Long's Sanitorium. Ed. Gunter, a Buncomba

from the gang last week for a period of three hours, and when he was re-captured he told the officers that he bertolons, is the urgent insistance of late or from Elihu Rott, has been carbered at a field out.

Indeed the suggestions of which he intended to sell when he had served his ten months on the gang.

Rev. C. T. Benil, a Bantist preacher t Dillwyn, Va., shot Rebert Spencer Sunday morning and the wound is considered fatal. Beall met Spencer in the road and demanded that he marry his 19-year- old daughter, whom he claims Spenter had betray-ed. Spencer refused and the preacher opened fire. Beall and his son, who was with him, are in Farmville jail.

Three negro men, John Crowder, Paul Liles and Eli Bennett, have been arrested, charged with derailing Seadefinitely and finally prohibit their mill owners refuse. Many families are sale and do it in time to give fair no-tice to dealers that they need not buy raill operatives at Kannapolis are expected to go on a strike this week.

B. Hill and Ellis Hammond, the negro board Air Line train No. 13 on the fireman who died the next day. It V. J. Coleman, of Asheville, was shot and killed Saturday by Carl West, about 15 miles from Greenville, S. C. The shooting occurred after a sistants, are confident that they have sufficient evidence to convict the men.

A. L Lawrence, an overseer of section work on the Southern, was dan-gerously wounded by a shot from a Mrs. Thomas S. Rollins, of Asheville, has been recommended as State mont. Authur Steel, a negro is the chairman of the Republican woman's auxiliary committee which will soon be named by Frank A Lineny, chair-upartell, after which the negro left shotgun, Friday morning, near Bel-