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LAND COMMITTEE REPORTS FAVORABLY ON RADIO SITE

Investigating and Decided That \$50

The Land Committee, appointed to in the transaction for the land on week investigating, made a favoratle report to Mr. H. H. Martin, Solic-Washington.

The committee was headed by Mr. E. R. Preston of Charlotte, who was appointed chairman of the Land Comtwo years ago. Accompanying him placed in an individual cell for safe as experts were Lt. F. O. Clarkson at present stationed in Charlotte, and Mr. Charles Gibson also of Charlotte. The committee arrived Thursday and three months he had been acting as began their work that afternoon by here, in company with Mr. T. L. Riddle. Secretary of the Chamber of

Thursday night the committee met tative citizens of the county in the Chamber of Commerce rooms and guestioned the latter concerning the paying special attention to the value of real estate near the site. A num-ber of the citizens then gave their afmanyit to what they had told the committee. From this the committee decided that the price, \$50 per acre, asked for the site for the station, was a fair one, both to the government and to the land owners.

Friday and Saturday were spent the committee in the courthouse vestigating the records as to the alue of land around the site, and in e red, all of which was favorable, the key, was then mailed to Washington.

The work of executing deeds for he land on which the station will be to Mr. T. L. Riddle, acting as agent for the government, has been completed and everything is now in -adiness to deed the land over to the government.

The first piece of metal to be used connection with the radio station arrived at the office of the American ailway Express company several It is addressed to the Comanding Officer, Southern Radio Stafifty pounds and somewhat resembles as automobile hood. On what part the station it will be used is not

### HOB HOUSTON, COLORED, IS IDENTIFED AS HIGHWAYMAN

By Mr. W. B. Tyson, Who was Held Things Stolen From Houses During the Summer Found in Houston's Home by Officers.

Bob Houston, colored, who was taxen into custody Friday night by Constable M. L. Threatt and Deputy Sheriff Clifford Fowler has been identified by Mr. W. B. Tyson as the neare who, several nights ago, held him up at the point of two pistols and at-Tyson states that the negro who and a sweater, which was much frayed in front. When the officers search-Houston's house Friday night afier they had arrested him they found a pair of leggins and a sweater con- the house where it could be found. realed between the mattress and teathers of one of the beds.

Constable M. L. Threatt learned that Houston had sold to Mr. Wm. E antley a double barrel shot gun for \$11, who had swapped it to a negro who lives near the South Carolina me for a pistol. The shot gun had been stolen from Balaam Liles, a negro. Mr. Threatt recovered the gun and went to the home of Houston, the western part of town, known as Quality Hill, to arrest him upon a charge of larceny. He was accompanled by Mr. Fowler. Searching his house they found a number of articles which had been stolen from homes in Monroe several months ago when a mber of the homes of the city were as one which was stolen from the home of his mother, Mrs. H. B. Adknives, a quarter sack of flour and a portion of a box of cigars which were stelen from the store of Mr. Harvey McManus about a mile west of town eral nights ago; several pounds of beather and a number of articles of favor of stopping the hunting season lewelry. Houston's wife was found for birds entirely. While we are at wearing a diamond ring which was town and other places at work, the identified as one stolen from the loafing white men and negroes slip home of Mr. D. B. Snyder during the in on our places and shoot our birds. burglary epidemic some time ago, and Now, if the legislators will knock out

him for the larceny of the shotgun, in our little birds .- Respt., B. C. net of the great war. The cutting but upon the discovery of the stolen goods and the identification by the owners a warrant was sworn out negro who attempted to hold him up Courier-Citizen. several nights ago he was arrested on charge of attempted highway robbery. In all ten warrants have been odd uniforms seems to be all drest sworn out against him. He was up with no place to go.-New York lodged in jail and will be given a Telegraph.

hearing before Recorder W. O. Lem- PRES. POINCARE MAKES AD-

mend tomorrow.

When Messrs. Fowler and Threatt carried the negro to jail they were Spent Three Days Here Last Week accompanied by Mr. W. T. Stewart. handed Mr. Stewart the key to the Per Acre Was Not Too Much For prisoners hall. Entering with their Land-Mail Findings to Washing- prisoner the door was locked behind them and following the usual custom the prisoner was searched before leaving him. Then the gentlemen the opening address at the peace constarted to leave but found that the se that both the property owners key to the door was gone. Careful and the government get a square deal search of the person of the negro failed to reveal it, but upon looking ambitions that brought so many peowhich the radio station is to be built. in the bedelothes of one of the bunks ples, great and small, to align themafter spending three days here last it was found. When Mr. Stewart had locked the door as he entered What shall I say of the solemn resohe had placed the key on adjacent or for the Navy Department at table and during a moment when the the spring of 1917, under the auspieyes of the officers were not on him slipped it between the bedelothes on his bunk. It being thus shown that

keeping. Houston is a negro below the mejanitor for the Central Methodist going over the site, four miles from church. For some time before his least broke diplomatic relations-Bohad done little if any work. The the north to the south the New three people who were held up dur- World rose with indignation when it with about twenty of the represent their assailant as being a negro below the medium statue.

Chief of Police T. M. Christenbury and Constable Threatt several days massacre of inoffensive beings. trice of real estate in Union county, ago searched Houston's home, looking for stolen property. At this time must have concluded that as the offiers had searched his home a few days before that he was safe in bringing his booty home, thinking they would not come again soon.

Up to this morning ten warrants had been issued against Houston and which was lacerating humanity. the eleventh, charging him with larceny of the jail key, will be issued some time to day. It was stated that the first case which will be disposed trouping and gathering together the of at the hearing tomorrow will be disposed to formation obtained. The data set the one charging him with stealing the one charging him with stealing

### FOUR NEGROES CAUGHT IN CRAP GAME AT MARSHVILLE

Started Out Sunday Afternoon in Search of "Mealy Beer" But Ended in a Game-Caught By Chief Z. B. Griffin of Marshville.

Four young Marshville negroes game which is second nature to the U. Several Days Ago - Many that Chief Griffin's version of the affair was the correct one and taxed the negroes with the costs in the case and placed them under bond for their re-appearance in Recorder's court on April 1st, to show that they had not been skinnin' any more. The negroes were Lalaam Allen, Joe Crowder, Ellis Staten and Ed Cuthbertson.

In the absence of Mr. R. L. Ste ers, Mayor J. C. Sikes acted as prosecuting attorney, and when Balaam Allen on the stand stated that he was tempted to rob him. Furthermore, on his way to get some "mealy beer" and just stopped to watch the game held him up were a pair of leggins Mayor Sikes stated that he had Yes, more, they escaped to come to never tasted that beverage and would like to know if it was good. Balaam replied that he could not enlighten him on the point as he never got to

When Chief Griffin surprised the crowd they scattered like a bunch of partridges and with as much speedall except Ed Cuthbertson. Ed said that the reason he did not run was that they were using his overcoat as Another defendant, however, stated ever experienced. that the bunch started off in such a hurry that they ran over and knocked Ed, who was a little in the lead, down and that before he could arise Chief Griffin was upon him. Fult Davis and Fairley Smith were also engaged in the pleasing pastime but have not been seen since the occurrence and the opinion was expressed that from the manner in which they entered. Among the articles found started off they are still going. The were two pistols, one of which has negroes on the stand said that the been identified by Mr. C. B. Adams two who escaped were the only ones who had been engaged in the game. One of them even went so far as to vessel lay to in order to facilitate the aims, several months ago; six pocket state that he did not know the Ace of Spades from the Ten of Hearts.

Wants Them Protected. Waxhaw, Route 5 .- I wonder how many citizens of the county are in the period entirely I will give "Bunk" The officers had gone to Houston's Lemmond a job sure enough. Let's house for the purpose of arresting hear from others who are interested the orphans, innocently caught in the Hinson.

charging him with housebreaking and rely on the plea of insanity when did she but realize the situation. She when Mr. Tyson identified him as the finally arraigned in court. - Lowell

The Kaiser with his five hundred-

DRESS AT PEACE MEETING

Says Intervention of U.S. was a Supreme Judgment Passed at the Bar of History by the Lofty Conscience of a Free People.

President Poincare of France made ference in which he paid the following tribute to America

Thus, it was the extent of German selves against the same adversary. lucions taken by the United States in ces of its illustrious President, Mr. the negro had seized the key and Wilson, whom I am happy to greet here in the name of grateful France and, if you will allow me to say so, the thought of escape, the negro was gentlemen, in the name of all the naions represented in this room.

"What shall I say of the many other American powers which either dedium height. For the past two or clared themselves against Germany -Brazil, Cuba, Panama, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Haiti, Honduras-or at becoming janitor of this church he livia, Peru, Ecuador, Uruquay, From World rose with indignation when it ing the Christmas holidays described saw the empires of Central Europe, lafter having let loose the war without provocation and without excuse, carry it on with fire, pillage and the

"The intervention of the United States was something more, they failed to find anything. Houston thing greater than a great political and military event. It was a supreme judgment passed at the bar of history by the lofty conscience of a free people and their chief magis- through the successful operation of trate on the enormous responsibilities incurred in the frightful conflict

"It was not only to protect itself man megolamania that the United States equipped fleets and created immense armies, but also and above all, to defend an ideal of liberty over which it saw the huge shadow of the imperial eagle encroaching further every day. America, the daughter of Europe, crossed the ocean to rescue her mother from the humiliation of thraldom and to save civilization.

The American people wished to put an end to the greatest scandal fender. that has ever sullied the annals of having prepared in the secrecy of the chancellories and the general staffe mad program of universal dominion, details and the outlook promises the started out Sunday a week ago to get let loose their packs at the time fixed certain acceptance of practically all on 20 per cent and more educational some "mealy beer" and stopped to by their genius for intrigue and that President Wilson is committed training than their sighted fellowwatch a couple of other bucks en- sounded the horn for the chase order- to. The conference will accept the workers, thereby minimizing this gaged in a skin game, so they testi- ing science, at the ver ytime it was league principle and adopt a formufied on the stand in Recorder's court beginning to abolish distances, to la and will not permit any scheme of yesterday, and while they watched bring men closer together and make undue national aggrandizement. hey were surprised by Chief Z. B. life sweeter to leave the bright sky Griffin, who stated on the stand that toward which it was paring and to Government Needs Hundreds of Ac they were not watching the game but place itself submissively at the serwere really and truly engaged in that vice of violence; debasing the religious idea to the extent of making God degro. He was borne out in his state. the complacent auxiliary of their pasment by Kemp Barrett, colored. Re- sions and the accomplice of their corder Lemmond was of the opinion crimes—in short counting as nought the traditions and wills of peoples, the lives of citizens, the honor of wolie and private morality which we for our part have endeavored to keep uncan repudiate or disregard with im-

"While the conflict was gradually extending over the entire surface of the earth the clanking of chains was heard here and there and captive untionalities from the depths of their age-long fails cried out to us for help. our aid.

# dier at Sea During Storm.

Coast artillerymen from Connecticut and scattered troops from Pennsylvania, Iowa and Oklahoma who reached port Saturday on the armored cruiser South Dakota went that he had not been playing and through a storm two days out from Commission is receiving applications Brest described by naval officers as a table on which to toss the cards, one of the most tempestuous they had

> Mountainous waves buffeted the vessel and one demolished the pilot mander Caldwell and a number of officers and sailors.

In the midst of the storm, with high, two army surgeons performed an operation for appendicitis upon a

soldier aboard the South Dakota. When the condition of Corporal E. O. Williams, of the 56th coast artillery, whose home is in Airlie, N. C. was pronounced dangerous, the war operation. Lashed to the table, the surgeons accomplished their delicate task between lurches of the ship and today the artilleryman was removed to a hospital, on the way to recovery

Relief Workers Sign Death Warrants Relief workers in the Near East ign the death warrant of thousands

when for lack of, funds they cut down their lists, selecting those to whom they will continue to give help -these are principally the children. down of lists really means picking out those who are to perish. Gener-Germany acts as if she meant to ous America would never permit this has done so much to save the fragments of the Christian races in the Ottoman Empire, she will surely not abandon them at the hour of greatest

> Leave your contributions with the English Drug Co.

AMERICA OUTLINES BASIS FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS

American Mission Resolved Upon

Points for League of Nations to Be Submitted to Peace Conference,

The American Mission has resolvd upon a working formula of the league of nations embodying the points to be submitted to the regular ession. The Press Publishing comoany gives them as follows:

The league principle is more than an academic abstraction. It can be reduced to an operating basis, but the duty lies upon the Americans, who made first enunciation of their precepts. The principle having been adopted by all nations sitting at the its practicability by presenting working rule of procedure.

The form of submission will be elastic so as to allow opportunity for the fullest discussion and reform

The first problem will be definite and irrevocable adhesion to the principle of the league of nations; second, the appointment of a permanent court of arbitration and conciliation; third, the appointment of a body to codify and revise international law with a view to elimination of outworn precedents and the inclusion of new phases growing out of the comination of all nations; fourth, the definite commitment on the part of the signators to accept the adjudications of the league's supreme body.

Those four points are prefatory to the crection of a more detailed structure later.

At the outset nothing will be done oward direct disarmament, that consummation being recarded as likely the preliminary agreements. The forcible execution of the league's mandates is to be intrusted to a designation of nations, which will act as pofrom the audacious aims of the Ger- lice powers. There is to be no suggestion of an international army or navy, experts generally agreeing such a plan as being not feasible

> The courts of judgment are to be created as permanent bodies. Perhaps the most important doctrine America will offer is compulsory arbitration, under which a nation offended against must, nevertheless, come into court for judgment or be adjudged equally guilty with the of-

The attitude is based on the belief mankind. Autocratic governments, that those in the right need have no as law, massage, literature,

fear of facing the issue. Steady work is being done on the

# countants.

Washington, Jan. 20. is practically ended but war work is The tremendous labor of the details of adjusting the accounts and paying the bills will occupy the time men and all those principles of pub- come. The Ordnance Department of the Army alone is in need of 200 senior cost accountants at entrance sal altered throughout the war and aries ranging from \$2,200 to \$4,200 which neither nations nor individuals a year; 300 junior cost accountants at entrance salaries ranging from \$1,200 to 2,000 a year; and 300 clerks qualified in accounting at entrance salaries ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,800 a year, for service at ordnance establishments throughout the United States and in the headquarters at Washington, D. C.

The collection of the income tax also calls for the employment of an client. additional number of accountants. The income tax unit of the Bureau of Operation Performed Upon N. C. Sol- Internal Revenue is in need of a number of traveling auditors and resident auditors at entrance sclaries ranging from \$1,800 to \$4,500 a

> year. All of these positions are open to

both men and women. The United States Civil Service for these positions. Applicants will not be required to report at any place for examination, but will be rated upon their physical ability, education, training and experience, based upon house, injuring Captain Luby, Com- the sworn statements in their applications and upon corroborative evidence adduced by the Commission. Application blanks and full informawaves at times running forty feet tion may be obtained from the secretary of the local board of civil service examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city, or by communicating with the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D.

# Million-Dollar Insurance Policy.

William Wrigley, Jr., millionaire and dominant stockholder in the Chicago National League baseball club. has taken a life insurance policy for one taillion dollars. The annual will be sixty thousand dollars.

Eight physicians, representing 22 companies, among which the insurance will be apportioned, conducted the examination.

I never saw so many stethoscopes and little mallets which they pounded on my chest," said Wrigley here, after the examination. me how I kept in such condition. I told them the things I liked in life lawyer outwitted by his own wit. took place in the early part of the day and not late at night."

# Comparison.

you win as when you lose."

BLIND MEN ARE BEING

FITTED FOR USEFUL LIFE

Their Sight During the War and These Heroes are Receiving Special Training at Government Ex-

American fighting forces who were held at Morganton, Saturday, Januablinded in the war now are being ry 25th sheltered, treated or educated in the Red Cross Institute for the Blind in Baltimore. The institution has been However, prominent Marion designated as a United States general hospital and is called "Evergreen." been Colonel James Bordley, director of the institute, said that all the Amerpeace table, the next step is to prove | icans blinded in the war would | be | were tried for the murder of Dr. Henbrought here for a course of trainschool for the blind maintained by but Wiseman will not waive it, it is the government. He described the morals of the blinded men as wonder-

> The men are first treated in the hospital, says Colonel Bordley, in a statement, after which they are is announced. taught to use a typewriter and read and write Braille-raised type for the blind. Then they receive special training to develop the sense of touch.

"After this fundamental handeducation to fit them for the calling in which they are interested and are qualified successfully to follow," says the statement.

Thus, those with inclination and the inherent ability are trained for such occupations as stenographers, salesmen, correspondents, retail store nanagers. (In connection with this latter occupation, plans already have been made to open a chain of retail stores, each of which will have blind soldier as manager.)

nd a natural aptitude for out-of-door ife, will be trained for chicken raisng, bee-keeping, truck gardening and such like occupations. Those of such caliber and a mentality that fits them for industrial life are trained, not merely in shop practice, but for some particular job that they can fill, and n which they will feel happy.

'Men with a high quality of educaion and a ability that fits them for professional life will be given such pecial education as will enable them to follow their chosen career—such Men who know say that the blind

man is handicapped over the sighted 20 per cent. The men are being given 20 per cent and more educational handicap

secured. In a word, he is helped to help himself-he is encouraged to equip himself to be a good citizen.

# Too Thoroughly Instructed.

It would not be fair to assume, on is of frequent occurrence, but in earlier times, before the advent in court of expert testimony, when the tests of mental derangement were legal and not medical. It is conceivable that the barefaced "arrangemen here quoted from the Washington Post might get past a judge.

Some years ago a lawyer in some what irregular standing had to defend a man named Marshall, charged with larceny, against whom there was very strong evidence. The day before the trial the lawyer visited his

"Now," said he, "your only chance of escape is in a plea of insanity You must play the lunatic, and play it well." On the day of the trial Marshall

ook his place in the dock, pale, haggard and wild-looking Guilty or not guilty?" began the clerk.

"Spoons!" drawled the prisoner. with a blank stare, "Come, plead guilty or not guilty," counseled the clerk impatiently.

"Spoons!" murmured the prisoner. u a deeply melancholy voice. "Prisoner," exclaimed the judge

tion put to you or do you want to be punished for contempt?"
"Spoons!" sighed the prisoner, casting his vacant gaze upward to the

sharply, "will you answer the ques-

ceiling of the courtroom. At that point the counsel for the prisoner arose, "Your Honor, began, "it is clearly—it is pitiablyevident that my unfortunate client is

not responsible for his actions. He is mentally deranged. To proceed with the trial is an outrage on a free citizen of this commonwealth." 'Do you understand what is said?'

the judge demanded of the prisoner. Spoons!" he breathed vacantly, It was evident that the man was

nsane, and the judge ordered him premium on the ordinary life plan discharged. He was taken in charge by his sympathizing and faithful friends who were present by arrangement, and left the court with them. The lawyer followed them and congratulating Marshall on his escape. suggested that it was a good time to pay his fee.

His client stared at him with blank "They asked amazement. "Spoons!" he said simply, as he moved away leaving the

Dr. W. H. Wakefield of Charlotte. the eye, ear, nose and throat specialist who visits Monroe frequently, is "It's just as wrong to gamble when spending some time in New York, visiting the clinics and hospitals; pick-Pinkley. 'De immorality is jes' as the same time taking a much needed he was held up by a mob of negroes great, but de inconvenience ain't."

AARON WISEMAN HELD FOR MURDER OF DR. HENNESSEE

Red Cross Cares for 71 Who Lost But Continues to Assert His Innocence-Preliminary Hearing Will

Be Given Him Saturday, Jan. 25th. The preliminary hearing of Aaron Wiseman, charged with the murder of Dr. E. A. Hennessee as he stepped Seventy-one of the 200 men of the from a train at Glen Alpine, will be

> In the meantime, Wiseman is being held in jail without bond. have agreed to go on his bond, if he is allowed to give same.

When Garfield and Aaron Pitts, the sons of W. D. Pitts of Glen Alpine. nessee last March, examination was ng, as this was the only training waived at the preliminary hearing understood, and the State will have to show enough evidence to bind Wiseman over.

Wiseman will make no statement, other than to say he is innocent, it

Aaron Wiseman was the star witness for the state in the trial of Aa-ron and Garfield Pitts, who were tried for the murder of Doctor Hennessee last March and adjudged "not guil-Evidence at the trial showed

raining, the men are given special that Wiseman was in company with the Pitts boys on the night the physician was killed, both at their store near the railway station and later at the railway station just prior to the shooting.

Because of an old feud between the Pitts and Homesoce families, an incident of which was the killing of Gorman Pitts 5 years ago, for which Dr. Hennessee was tried on a murder charge and acquitted, the State's attorney tried to place the blame for the killing of Dr. Hennessee on the Those with a love of out-doors Pitts brothers. The evidence in the case, which was purely circumstantial, did not prove strong enough in the minds of the jury to find the defendants guilty and they were discharged.

Solicitor R. L. Huffman did not give up the work of attempting to find the slayer of the physician and clues, which he has been following since the acquittal of the Pitts boys. led to the warrant for the arrest of Aaron Wiseman Thursday night as Wiseman was returning home from Salisbury, where he had been to answer charges of carrying liquor from North Carolina into Tennessee before

the federal court. It has not been disclosed what is the nature of the evidence discovered by the solicitor which led to Wiseman's arrest, nor has the prisoner made an ystatement as to the nature "While a man is being prepared of his defense. His only statement for this future career, the position since arrest was made after hearing for which he is being fitted is being the reading of the warrant, "I am

Spectators of the Death of a Race. A diplomat well acquainted with the situation in the Near East recently said: "We are spectators of the death the strength of a single instance, that of a race and we are powerless to preof a large force for many months to collission between counsel and client vent it." America can prevent, however, the total extermination of that race by feeding the starving survivors, sending them back to the homes from which they were exiled and helping them get a start in self-supporting work. The largest part of the funds so far contributed has been used for orphans. They have been picked up from the streets where they were wandering uncared for and well nigh perishing, and put in orphanages where they have received a small ration of food, have been clothed, sheltered and taught some trade. To the homeless, ragged, despairing women wandering through the streets the Relief workers give bread, and two or three times a week a thick hot soup, but they can not begin to supply the food needed and

many are dying every day. Hand your contributions to the English Drug Company.

Resepct the U.S. Uniform Says Baker In a general order to the army Satorday Secretary Baker called on officers and men to maintain the high regard for the uniform which has been established throughout the coun-

Through hearty co-operation and discipline of the officers and men of the army the country has acquired a new respect for the uniform," the "You men have mainorder read. tained your high standing not only by soldierly conduct in the camps and bravery in the trenches but in your regard for civilian ideals when on leave or furlough, and in this you have established a record new to all armies.

I confidently expect you to maintain your standards throughout the trying days of demobilization, when the tendency to throw off army discipline and restraint will be strong. I am counting on you by your own acts and by your influence to keep up the record of which you and I and our whole country are so proud."

Slayer of Charles White Found

Guilty. At seven o'clock Saturday night the Superior court jury in Winston-Salem returned a verdict of murder in the first degree in the case of Will Davis, negro, charged with shooting and killing Charles J. White, superintendent of construction forces for the Southern Public Utilities Company. The killing occurred on the night of November 17, during the riot in Winston. Davis was sentenc-

ed to be electrocuted March 7. White was returning from work in "Yessuh," asserted Mr. Erastus ing up useful information, and at the East Winston in his automobile when and shot.