

## NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

DISPATCHES OF IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS GATHERED FROM OVER THE WORLD.

### FOR THE BUSY READER

The Occurrences Of Seven Days Given In An Epitomized Form For Quick Reading

#### Foreign—

Six hundred dynamite bombs, 100,000 rounds of ammunition and other war material have been seized at Jose de las Lages, Cuba, in connection with political disturbances growing out of the presidential campaign.

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the country house of Count de Levis-Mirepoix at Chere Perrin, France, built by the Dauphin, son of Louis XIV. The building was one of the finest examples of the French architecture of that period.

The prince of Wales is making himself at home in Winnipeg for the first time since he crossed the Atlantic. He is walking around in his shirt sleeves at the hotel in Winnipeg, Canada, the whole first floor of which had been reserved for the royal visitor, and the suite which the prince occupies can be closed off entirely from the rooms of the others in his party.

B. F. Barker, El Paso, Texas, auditor of the Erupcion Mining company, and eight other men were lined up and shot to death by bandits, who wrecked a freight train of the Chihuahua and Oriente railway, 41 miles southwest of Juarez, in a fifteen thousand dollar payroll holdup. The entire train crew was included in the nine men killed.

The Chekiang forces defending Shanghai against the attacks of the invading Kiangsu armies surrendered and an armistice declared between the opposing Chinese forces.

A Central News dispatch from Amsterdam says that the Dutch police have arrested a German who was on his way to Doorn with the intention of killing the ex-kaiser. The man had attempted several times before to cross the border with forged passports, and is believed to belong to a gang who are organized to kill the ex-emperor.

Anatole France, 80, the great French writer, died recently at his home in Tours. He had been ill since August, and little hope had been entertained for his recovery. Almost up to the end he retained his interest in those around him.

A commission from the ministry of finance has been sent to Tartar, Pazardjik, Bulgaria, to investigate a peculiar phenomenon in the local branch of the Bulgarian National bank—the crumbling of metallic currency, either to a thin scum-like film or else to mere dust.

Six persons, all Italians, were killed and 30 were injured in the wreck of the Paris Express, one of the finest trains in Europe, near Santa Margherita. Several of the injured probably will die.

Three persons were killed and a score injured in a clash between Hindus and Moslems at Allahabad, British India. Troops were called to assist the police. The city now is quiet.

Captain Samuel Ford charged with pirating the steamer Luten of her liquor cargo off rum row recently was found not guilty by a king's bench jury at Montreal.

#### Washington—

A request that the proposed investigation of agricultural conditions be withheld until after the presidential election was made to President Coolidge the other day by Louis J. Taber of Columbus, Ohio, master of the National Grange, because it is feared an investigation at this time might become partisanly political.

First official information as to the output of the rapidly-growing infant radio industry, made public by the census bureau, shows the value of radio apparatus and tubes to have aggregated \$48,032,297 last year.

Plans for national radio week from November 24 to 30 during which time American broadcasting stations will seek to transmit messages to Europe and European stations will attempt to establish regular communication with America, were announced by Arthur Lynch of New York, attending the national radio conference at Washington.

Washington.—Consideration of the growing problem of accommodations of motor tourists was asked by President Coolidge of the American Civic association, the American Institute of Park Executives and the American Park society in an address at the white house to delegates attending the joint conference of those organizations at Washington.

Elimination of class C broadcasting stations—those of 750-watt power—releasing their wave lengths to relieve congestion in the class one group—those of 1,000-watt power—was recommended to the third national radio conference by a subcommittee which has studied the problem for two days.

Revolutionary forces in Honduras under General Ferrero were completely routed recently by the troops commanded by Provisional President Oosta with heavy losses on both sides. It was said in a dispatch received at the state department dated October 6.

On motion of counsel for the Sumter Gas and Power company the appeal brought by that company against the city of Sumter, S. C., in the controversy over the gas rate has been dismissed by the Supreme court with direction to the federal district court for eastern South Carolina to dismiss the case without prejudice.

The department of justice is ready to go thoroughly into the charges made by the federal trade commission concerning alleged monopolistic tendencies of the Aluminum Company of America, but Attorney General Stone said the department would take no action until the commission submitted evidence. So far, he added he had only unofficial knowledge of the commission's findings.

#### Domestic—

In the quiet calm of a Sabbath afternoon, C. W. Stewart and his son Elmer, heard the solemn words of Judge Henry A. Grady, at Southport, N. C., that sentenced them to die on November 28 for the murder on July 29 of Detective Sergeant Leon George and Deputy United States Marshal Sam Lilly.

Leaping from a plane piloted by her husband, Mrs. Ruth Garver, a flying circus acrobat, fell to her death at Wichita, Kans., when the parachute failed to open after she jumped. Her husband collapsed and was taken to a hotel in a dead faint.

Mayor Kendrick, of Philadelphia, says, prior to the expiration of Gen. Smedley Butler's leave of absence from the marine corps, that he will make a personal appeal to the president to allow General Butler to remain in Philadelphia until he has "cleaned up" that city.

Extending its long arm far past the twisted, crooked confines of New York's Chinatown, the Chinese tong war left the bullet-riddled body of a young Chinese, a knotted rope about his neck and opium tablets in his pocket, sprawling face downward on a lonely North Arlington, N. J., thoroughfare.

The Norwegian steamer Sagatind, with 43,000 cases of liquor aboard, and the small British schooner Diamantina, carrying an undetermined quantity of liquor were seized by the coast guard cutter Gresham recently off Sandy Hook.

Need of immediate expansion of the work of Lutheran missionaries among the Jewish population of the United States is to be considered by the convention of the United Lutheran church in America, to be held in Chicago.

With one man dead from yellow fever and 88 persons held in strict segregation in Houston's quarantine farm, federal, state and local officials, and citizens are fighting to prevent a possible epidemic of the disease. Citizens still in fear of the hoof and mouth disease which broke out in Harris county, Texas, two weeks ago, and resulted in the whole country being quarantined, awoke the other morning to find Houston threatened by an even worse peril—yellow fever.

William Abner Garrett, 63, transportation manager of the Baldwin Locomotive works, and widely known engineer, died at his home in Philadelphia recently, of pneumonia. He was one of the most noted engineers of the country, and had built many railroads.

Maj. Frederick S. Wallace, a noted engineer, 86 years old, died the other day at Chattanooga, Tenn. He had been interested in the development of many railroad properties, but in recent years had been attached to the Chattanooga postoffice.

Ten men and an officer from the National Guard unit at Hopkinsville, Ky., kept guard at the home in Princeton, Ky., of County Attorney A. B. Hodge following receipt by Mrs. Hodge of a letter threatening her husband with death unless he resigned. An attempt had already been made to blow up the Hodge home.

An attempted robbery of the First National bank of Shidler, Okla., was frustrated recently after a gunfight in which two of the three alleged bandits were wounded. All were captured.

Ralph Shadel, a youthful farm hand, Middleburg, Pa., has been convicted of murder in the second degree on his 18th birthday. He says that the wife of the man whom he killed urged him to kill her husband because she wanted to marry him (Shadel). The wife will be tried as an accessory before the fact.

Henry Ford has withdrawn his bid for Muscle Shoals, and has assumed a waiting attitude by putting it up to the government to make the next move if he is to take any further action in the matter. Mr. Ford characterized the whole transaction a "simple affair of business which should have been decided within one week by any one," but has "become a complicated political affair." The bid, he says, is withdrawn because productive business cannot wait on politics.

Don Chafin, sheriff of Logan county, was found guilty of conspiracy to violate the Volstead act in the United States district court at Huntington, W. Va.

Mrs. Winona Green, aged 25, of Pueblo, Colo., after more than 20 hours of almost continuous grilling at the hands of Major James A. Pitcock, head of the Little Rock detective department, gave an alleged confession according to the police, in which she admitted killing both J. H. (Bob) Green, and wife, Mrs. Lena S. Green of Little Rock, Ark.

## TO INVESTIGATE OTEEN HOSPITAL

AMERICAN LEGION POST SENDS DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON.

Washington.—Asheville people have become aroused over reports about bad conditions at Oteen. The Veterans' Bureau here is going to try to get at the bottom of the complaints coming from there. In order to do that Dr. R. W. Blask has been sent down to investigate the situation with regard to the food provided for the patients and the dismissal of Dr. Archie McCallister.

Charles Holland and Harold Kent, members of the American Legion post at Oteen, were here to confer with General Hines, head of the Veterans' Bureau. They were presented by Robert M. Smyth, chairman of the National rehabilitation committee, disabled veterans of the World War, with headquarters here.

Messrs. Holland and Kent came to present papers signed by officers of American Legion posts, nurses and others. They saw General Hines at 2:30 and as they left the room they were asked to give the results of the conference. They refused, saying that General Hines had asked them to say nothing about their visit.

It was stated at the Veterans' Bureau that General Hines is desirous of ironing out the troubles at Oteen. The charge that the food is bad has been investigated by inspectors, but their reports are held confidential. The dispatches of Dr. Blask may bring results.

While Messrs. Holland and Kent were with General Hines, a telegram signed by Mrs. O. C. Hamilton, president of the city Federation of Women's Clubs and Mrs. Buckner, general secretary of the North Carolina Baraca and Philathea Association, of Asheville, was received, saying in effect, that there is nothing wrong at Oteen.

#### Would Let German Build Zeppelin.

Paris.—A scheme which would postpone the dismantling of the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen, Germany, for at least two years and by which the construction of another giant dirigible, similar to the ZR-3 would be made possible, was described in Le Journal. A French company which has purchased patent rights from the Zeppelin company with the intention of using them for commercial dirigible lines, according to the newspaper, has suggested that the Zeppelin company build another ZR-3 for France to be considered on the reparations account.

The German government is understood to favor the scheme which will be put before the reparations commission.

#### Officer Robbed By Blacks.

Greensboro.—Astonishing details of a sensational holdup in which a deputy sheriff was fired upon, chased, robbed and left in an unconscious state by two bold negro bandits in a lonely wood near Randleman, 12 miles south of the city, were learned here.

The deputy, Sam Frazier, of Randleman, fleeing through a wood with the bandits in hot pursuit tripped over a tangled grape vine, fell, striking his head and chest on the stony ground where he lay unconscious from 9 o'clock until 5 P. M. The bandits who had stolen over \$100 in cash and a valuable watch from the officer, made good their escape. The deputy is being treated by physicians in his home at Randleman, while officers of Randolph and surrounding counties were searching for the bandits.

#### Wholesale Commodity Prices Decline.

Washington.—Wholesale commodity prices in September showed slight decreases from the August level. Information gathered in representative markets by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor brought the weighted index number, covering 404 commodities, from 149.77 for August to 148.8 for the last month.

Decreases in farm products, clothing materials, fuel and metals were chiefly responsible for the drop in the general price level, the figures showed. Among the farm products also there were substantial reductions in cattle, sheep, cotton, cotton seed, flaxseed, hay and potatoes. These decreases, despite increases in grains, hogs and wood, caused the farm products level to recede 1.5 per cent.

#### Dies in Plane Crash.

Glendale, Cal.—A naval officer, identified as Lieut. Commander Grattan C. Dichman of the air service at San Diego, was burned to death here, when flames destroyed his plane after it struck a small building.

#### Penny Mileage May Be 15,000.

New York.—Tentative groupings of the eastern railroads into four large trunk line systems, proposed in a revision plan of consolidation, presented to the interstate commerce commission last Saturday, would give the Pennsylvania railroad a route mileage of 15,900, the largest of the group, according to information obtained in railroad circles. Closely following would be the New York Central, with a mileage of 15,400, the Baltimore & Ohio with 13,300 and the "Nickel Plate" with approximately 12,000.

## EXHAUST BONDS ON NEXT SATURDAY

HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO LET 13 OR 14 MORE PROJECTS ON NOVEMBER 12.

Raleigh. The last letting of contracts for the construction of gaps in the State Highway system out of the present bond issue will probably be made on November 12 when fourteen or thirteen jobs will be awarded.

The commissioners made three more awards of jobs for which the bids were opened last Tuesday. The awards are: Project 111,117, Camden and Currituck counties, route 34, between Camden and Cligo, 11.81 miles top soil and grading, to Nelle L. Teer, of Durham, at \$74,458.50; project 791-B, Yadkin, route 60 between Yadkinville and Forsyth county line, 13.39 miles paving to L. Tindall, of Waterford, Wis., at \$482,528.40; and project 106-B, Berrie, route 23 through town of Windsor, five miles paving, to Frank J. McGuire, of Norfolk, at \$151,968.50.

Fourteen contracts are expected to be awarded on November 12 with ten contracts already definitely decided upon. In the Fourth District four jobs in the fourth district are:

Project 149, Hertford, Bridge over the Meherren river and approaches, four miles.

Project 284, Wayne, Goldeboro north to the Wilson county line, 14.3 miles of paving.

Project 33, New Hanover, Wilmington to Wrightsville Sound, eight miles grading and bridges only.

Project 394, Robeson, Lumberton to Boardman, 12.7 miles grading and bridges only.

Project 646-B, Lincoln, Lincolnton to Catawba county line, 9.88 miles paving.

Project 648-B, Lincoln, Lincolnton to Gaston county line, 5.03 miles paving.

Project 753-A, Stokes, Forsyth county line to Danbury on route 89 via Walnut Cove, 13 miles grading and bridges only.

Project 792, Yadkin, Brooks Crossroads to Yadkinville, 8.5 miles grading and bridges only.

Project 911, Haywood, Springdale to Transylvania county line, 7.3 miles grading and bridges only.

Project 982, Swain, intersection of routes 10 and 286 to Almond, seven miles grading and bridges only.

#### Veteran Loss By Death 665.

All Confederate pensioners will this year receive increases of \$10 a year in their pensions, the largest amount ever added except by action of the legislature, according to announcement made by State Auditor Baxter Durham. The list of all pensioners who are to divide the million dollar annual appropriation totals 8,668 names, with the widows outnumbering soldiers by 1,088. Losses by death last year totaled 665.

The number of soldiers in each class with the amount of the annual pension follows:

- First class, 25, \$165.
- Second class, 49, \$150.
- Third class, 86, \$135.
- Fourth class, 3,630, \$120.

The amount of pensions for widows is the same as for soldiers of like class. There are 33 in the first class, composed entirely of the blind, and 4,878 in the fourth class.

With the soldiers far ahead of the widows in age and with the special session of the General Assembly having advanced the eligible marriage date from 1880 to 1899, it is expected that the disproportion between widows and soldiers will be greater next year.

#### Women's Class Start Soon.

The classes in dressmaking, home furnishing and millinery which are being offered by the Division of Vocational Education in the State Department of Public Instruction and sponsored by the Home Economics and art departments of the Raleigh Woman's Club will hold their first meeting Monday, October 20th with Miss Katherine Mather as instructor. These classes will meet for a three weeks period and each course will consist of six lessons, two lessons a week.

All classes will meet in the Woman's Club Building. The dressmaking course will include the study of the use, making and changing of patterns, and the construction of cotton, silk or wool dresses for children and women.

The millinery course will include the study of line, style, trimming and construction of winter hats.

#### S. A. L. Wants to Remove Trains.

Another railroad petition for the curtailment of train service was heard by the State Corporation Commission when the Seaboard Air Line prayed to be allowed to remove two passenger trains running between Charlotte and Rutherfordton. The railroad claimed that it was running the two trains at an annual loss of \$11,705. W. L. Stanley of Atlanta, one of the vice presidents of the Seaboard was chief counsel for the petitioner.

## DOINGS IN THE TAR HEEL STATE

NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS FOR BUSY PEOPLE

Wilson.—Twenty-three million pounds of tobacco has been sold on the Wilson market to date. For the first time during the season the warehouse floors were cleared and ready to receive a new supply on Monday morning.

Charlotte.—A new peach record for 1924 was established by the Southern Railway, which up to September 17, handled 7,433 cars of Southern grown peaches, according to reports from officers of the Southern system, here.

Shelby.—The cotton growers of Cleveland and Rutherford counties are taking increasing interest in co-operative marketing of cotton, and many new members are being added to the Association in these counties.

Burlington.—A. H. King, attorney and former superintendent of schools here, was elected Alamance county superintendent of public instruction at a meeting of the school board held in Graham succeeding M. C. Terrell, resigned.

Durham.—The first "open air" school room in Durham, located at the Morehead school, and sponsored by the Durham Kiwanis club, was formally presented and accepted.

Warsaw.—John Blancher, an elderly farmer, living near Warsaw, ran his car on the side walk at the corner of Main and College streets, near the Bank of Warsaw, and knocked a man named Goodrich down, and causing him to cut a deep gash on his head.

Charlotte.—Carroll Herman, 15-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Herman, of Catawba county, died at a hospital as the result of swallowing an open safety pin. The pin punctured the will of the oesophagus and the heart covering.

Wadesboro.—Work has begun on the paving of the mile-long road leading from this city to the Seaboard depot. This road is known to all travelers by rail and is notoriously rough, the visitor to this city always being sure of a good shake before reaching the city. The traveling public will undoubtedly hail with delight the innovation.

Kinston.—Road damage from floods in this section may exceed \$250,000, John E. Cameron, state commissioner here, said. The heaviest losses were in Wayne county. The highways in Lenoir, Sampson, Duplin and other counties were damaged to a lesser degree.

Statesville.—J. H. McElwee, for many years a leading Statesville manufacturer and business man, on his ninetieth birthday, went from here to King's Mountain to attend the celebration of the 144th anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain. Mr. McElwee made the trip by automobile, being accompanied by Miss Mamie McElwee, Mrs. T. N. McElwee and David Thomas.

Kinston.—Rosanna Flannigan, 17, is dead, and her father, Alonza Flannigan, colored, is seriously injured as a result of the collision of an automobile and horse and buggy on the Snow Hill road. Flannigan and his daughter were driving the horse and buggy. The driver of the automobile did not stop his machine after the collision.

Tarboro.—With the subsidence of water in the river here farmers are bringing tobacco to this market in large quantities and the prices now being paid are higher than at any time this fall.

Goldboro.—The first convention has already been planned for Goldboro's new hotel and early in next September North Carolina Commercial Secretaries will meet in the new structure which will be completed September 1, 1925. This meeting was to have been held in January but South Carolina Secretaries have persuaded the North Carolinians to meet with them at Rock Hill the first of the year.

Smithfield.—Complaints concerning bridges washed away by the recent high water came in from several sections of the county at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners. The worst damage seemed to be on Little River. R. D. Johnson, who looks after the bridge work in Johnston County, was instructed to make inspection of the bridges and make repairs as rapidly as possible.

Smithfield.—The county Board of Education at a meeting held here decided to postpone the opening of the six months schools will open on October 15th, as previously stated. This change has been made because the boys and girls will be needed to help house the cotton crop, much of which is still in the fields, on account of the recent rains.

Charlotte.—The business condition of North Carolina is showing marked improvement in the past few weeks, if increased demands for labor filed with the six U. S. labor bureaus of the State are a safe criterion, according to M. L. Shipman, State Commissioner of Labor and Printing, who spent Friday in Charlotte.

Hamlet.—Fred McKeithan, age 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. McKeithan, of Hamlet, who is believed to have shot himself with suicidal intent, died at the Hamlet Hospital. The shooting occurred in an alley adjoining the Hamlet Drug Company.

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