

FRANCE RESENTS SUSPICION OF OTHER NATIONS

World's Record For Airplane Flight Broken Today

AVIATOR WAS IN FLIGHT FOR OVER 26 HOURS CONTINUOUSLY

World's Record Was Broken
Today By Edward Stinson
At Mineola

TWO HOURS BETTER
THAN FORMER RECORD

Aviator Formerly Was Engaged
As Instructor at Kelly
Field, Texas

(By Associated Press)
MINEOLA, N. Y., Dec. 30.—The Larsen monoplane, piloted by Edward Stinson, which this morning broke the world's continuous flying record of 24 hours, 19 minutes and 7 seconds, descended shortly after 11:15 a. m., after having been in the air 26 hours, 19 minutes and 35 seconds.

The official times were:
Start—Yesterday morning at 8:15.
Finished—This morning at 11:15.

Stinson, stationed at Kelly Field, Texas, during the war as a civilian instructor because of his delicate health, probably trained more American flyers than any one man.

Stinson was forced to descend because of a faulty oil connection with which he and his mechanic, Lloyd Bertaud, had battled since three o'clock this morning. They still had gas enough to have flown until sundown.

Both men were almost blinded by oil when they descended. They also suffered intensely from the bitter cold, for although the plane was equipped with a cabin, Stinson had not left his seat in the open cockpit since 4 o'clock yesterday and his mechanic had little time to seek shelter.

AUTOMOBILE BANDITS KILLED TWO PERSONS

(By Associated Press)
PEARL RIVER, N. Y., Dec. 30.—The automobile bandits who killed the paying teller and bookkeeper of the First National Bank here yesterday in a futile attempt at robbery and seriously wounded Adolph Miller, a railroad switchman, who sought to hold them in their flight were still at large today.

DISCUSS NEW GOVERNOR FOR THE IRISH STATE

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Dec. 30.—Discussion of candidates for the Governor-Generalship of the Irish Free State under the pending Anglo-Irish treaty is being revived, the latest name mentioned in connection with the post being that of Earl of Athlone, younger brother of Queen Mary.

Will Stage Dance Tonight
The Christmas dances will be staged at Stanley hall tonight and it is expected that a large number will be present to enjoy the occasion. Music will be furnished by the O. Henry orchestra. The dance will start shortly after nine o'clock.

YOUNGSTOWN TO HAVE "BREATH INSPECTOR"

(By Associated Press)
YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 30.—Notice of a "breath inspector" to be appointed for the police force, inserted in the police roll-call here yesterday as a joke, was hailed as a good idea by Mayor-elect George L. Olds, who said today that he would put it into force when he assumed office January 1.

SAPIRO MAKES FINE TALK TO THE FARMERS

Gave Forth Interesting Facts
At Big Meeting Held Yesterday at Kinston

KINSTON, Dec. 30.—Aaron Sapiro, of California and the man "beat" informed on co-operative marketing in America, as Dr. J. Y. Joyner termed him in his introduction yesterday at the Lenior court house here made one of the best speeches ever heard in this section of the state on Co-operative Marketing, told of the actual progress of the organization of the burley farmers and their success to date, and branded as "absolutely rotten" your system of dumping tobacco for the past thirty years. His speech, which held the audience in the court house for two full hours, was vital in nature and bristling with points and actual facts, around which none could assay to go.

His speech made clear that the farmers of Kentucky, and other states in the burley belt, were actually ready to sell their products to the buying companies that only six warehouses in Kentucky were opening companies, that money could be obtained in any needed quantities, and that the organization would obtain twice what they obtained for last year's crop, through co-operative marketing. He branded the Wilson and Kinston Tobacco Boards of Trade as fighting the interests of the farmers and stated that he was glad to hear that one Kinston warehouse was siding with the growers. He predicted that the Wilson market would not sell over 20,000,000 pounds of weed in 1922, and that their floors would stay empty. He also stated that loyal Carolinians, citizens of Kentucky and other states, had offered to build warehouses in any town in which the present warehouses fought the co-operatives.

HARDING PRAISES TRAVELING SALESMEN

(By Associated Press)
OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 30.—Belief that the national business situation is going to improve in 1922 was expressed by President Harding in a message today by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce in connection with an entertainment for travelling salesmen who work out of Omaha.

BLACKMAIL PLOT DENIED BY INDICTED ATTORNEY

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A plea of not guilty was entered in the Superior Court late today, by William J. Corcoran, former district attorney of Middlesex county, to indictments charging conspiracy to extort money from James L. Donovan and a man named Curtis. He furnished \$10,000 bonds.

Corcoran, who is now a resident of New York state, was indicted some time ago. Disbarment proceedings in this state also are pending against him.

CONTRACT FOR GERMAN POTASH HAS BEEN MADE

American Concerns Have Overlooked Possibility of American Production

CONTRACT ALSO SIGNED
WITH FRENCH MINES

Germany To Furnish 75 Per Cent of Supply; France 25 Per Cent

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The 34 American fertilizer companies which contracted to take 75 per cent of their potash requirements for this season from the German potash syndicate, have contracted with French mines in Alsace for the remaining 25 per cent. The senate financial committee was told today by Wilbur Larrrows, of Washington, counsel for the U. S. Potash Producers' Association. The 34 companies produced more than 50 per cent of the potash fertilizer turned out in this country. Mr. Larrows said. He testified that the Federal Trade Commission had reported in 1916 that the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, which is opposing a tariff on potash, had important holdings in German potash mining companies.

The witness declared that if given protection for five years, as proposed, the American potash industry could supply all the needs of the United States. Unless it is protected, he added, American farmers will be at the mercy of the German potash companies.

INVESTIGATING RETAIL PRICES

Government Is Making Good
Headway in Retail Price Investigation

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Federal investigation of retail prices of necessities in all parts of the country is rapidly reaching completion, it was said today at the justice department.

Department agents, assigned to the duty by Director Burns of the bureau of investigation, "it was said, have been gathering price information in all of the large cities and in smaller communities and country districts as well as in dit was believed that the whole country will have been covered in another week.

Reports from the department's agents, officials said, are being prepared for Attorney General Daniels' entry, who has announced his intention of making public the results of the investigation to show what margins exist between retail prices and product cost of food, fuel, shoes and clothing in various localities.

TICKETS BEEN PLACED ON SALE

Tickets For Big Banquet May Be Secured Now by Those Who Wish to Attend

Tickets for the big Chamber of Commerce banquet, to be given next Monday night, may be secured at the Chamber of Commerce or at the New Bern Shoe Store.

Committees are at work today selling tickets for the event but they probably will be unable to see every one and it is for the convenience of the general public that the tickets have been placed on sale at the above named two places.

The tickets cost \$1 each and are not limited to Chamber of Commerce members. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

NEW YEARS GREETINGS OVER RADIO-PHONES

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—"Q. S. T.—Q. S. T."—in radio parlance, "everybody listen," followed by the toll of a bell striking the seconds that marked the passing of 1921 and the voice of a minister invoking blessings on the New Year, will float through the air and into the ears of more than 50,000 amateur radio operators in the vicinity of New York at midnight, December 31.

From station BAK, located at Tarrytown, N. Y., Rev. Lucas Hoeve will speak by means of a broadcasting radio-telephone to one of the largest audiences that ever listened to a minister. Songs by a selected choir will also be heard over the radio-telephone.

NO CLUE AS TO THE IDENTITY OF BURGLARS

Thres More Robberies Were Reported Last Night. Gang Still At Large

Although local police have their suspicions relative to the identity of the burglars, who have been making so many visits to residences in New Bern and vicinity of late, no evidence has been secured which would permit the officers to make arrests.

Chief of Police Bryan and his men are devoting all their time to work on the burglaries and are doing everything possible to learn who the men are.

It is believed that the gang keeps close watch on the officers and that some members of the gang keep the others informed as to where abouts of the police. Information in Three more robberies were reported last night. Burglars entered the home of T. M. Daniels, John Tolson and Tom Carroway. Mr. Tolson gave chase to the man whom he discovered in his home, but did not succeed in catching him.

Special Baptist Service
Rev. A. W. Ayers this afternoon announced two special services at the First Baptist church Sunday.

Sunday, being the first day and the first Sunday of the New Year, Mr. Ayers has prepared two special services, which are certain to appeal to all who attend.

Sunday morning will be "Family Service" at the church. Every family is invited to attend this service and to sit together. The subject of the sermon will be "The Relation of the Home to the Kingdom." Those who have no families will, of course, be cordially invited.

Sunday night there will be a sermon emphasizing the work of the young people.

Much Praise Given Picture
Seldom has a picture been given greater praise than that which was accorded "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," which has been at the Athens Show Shop for the past two days and which was witnessed at each performance by a large audience.

The picture unquestionably is the greatest spectacle that ever has been filmed. It abounds with thrilling scenes and its plot is of such a nature as to hold the interest and attention of the audience throughout its course. The management of the Athens theatre is to be congratulated upon having booked this splendid production.

Rotary Club Meets Tonight
The meeting of the Rotary Club will be held tonight and all members are urged to be in attendance. The meeting will start at 6:30 o'clock, as usual. An excellent supper is being prepared and a good time is assured all who attend. Cordial wishes assured also will be brought before the club.

NEW FACTORY STARTED WORK THIS MORNING

Nassef Manufacturing Company Begins Making Overalls at Plant Here

INSTRUCT EMPLOYEES
IN MACHINE OPERATION

Fifteen Girls at Work Today. Twelve More To Be Instructed Next Monday

New Bern's newest manufacturing enterprise began operations this morning when the Nassef Manufacturing Company began making overalls at the new building recently erected on Pasteur street.

Promptly at eight o'clock this morning the current was turned on and the machines began to hum. Fifteen girls reported for work and were given instructions in the manipulations of the machines. Twelve others will be taken on next week for instruction. The number will be gradually increased until a force of 50 experienced workers has been secured.

OYSTER ROAST FOR ALUMNI

Enjoyable Event Is Expected
At the Country Club This Evening

Alumni of A. & E. College will have an oyster roast at the country club tonight, beginning at 7 o'clock and expect to make of it a most enjoyable occasion for all who attend.

Editor Haywood Returns Home
R. W. Haywood, managing editor of the News and Observer, who with his wife and children, has been spending the holidays here with Mrs. Haywood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cox, left this morning on a brief visit to relatives in Pollocksville.

RAISING FUND FOR NEAR EAST

War Savings Stamps Being Given by North Carolinians To Aid in Relief Work

RALEIGH, Dec. 30.—War Savings Stamps are being received with contributions to the Near East Relief Fund for its work of child-saving in Armenia and Assyria. It was announced today by Col. George H. Bellamy, state chairman.

These stamps will be used same as money in purchasing and sending food and clothing to the thousands of starving orphans and refugees still unable to care for themselves in the Bible land.

Among the contributions sent in response to the Christmas appeal to the Near East Relief to Josephus Daniels, Honorary State Chairman, was one from a prisoner in the state penitentiary, Jack Hall, who is serving a sentence for bigamy sent in a one dollar bill, one of the first contributions to be received in response to Mr. Daniels' appeal.

BURGLARS DISPLAYED VERY POOR JUDGMENT

The last place that burglars, under ordinary circumstances would be expected to visit, is a newspaperman's home. The burglars who are operating in this city, however, evidently are no ordinary gang, for last night they attempted to force an entrance into the home of H. I. Crumpler, of the New Bernian.

Inmates of the home heard someone trying to climb up on the porch roof and endeavor to open one of the windows. They were unsuccessful in the attempt and gave it up.

OFFICERS SHOT BY BLOCKADERS IN LIQUOR RAID

Two Constables Wounded at Pactolus.—Two Still Operators Captured

GREENVILLE, Dec. 30.—Constable J. S. Fleming and another member of a raiding party were shot and painfully injured by moonshiners while attempting to capture a still in the Pactolus district during the holiday season. Officials in this city were informed yesterday afternoon. Fleming was shot just below the eye while the other man, whose name could not be learned today, received bullet wounds in the leg. All members of the party narrowly escaped with their lives and were forced to flee from the still amid a stream of shot and pistol fire.

Dorcas Ward and Stephen Leho, white men, were yesterday afternoon given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate J. F. Tyson, charged with being members of the party that fired upon the officers. They were bound over to the next term of superior court under bonds of \$500 and \$300 each. Their arrest resulted from warrants sworn out by members of the raiding party, who it is alleged, recognized them as leaders of the gang as they fled to the woods and began the gun fire.

The story of the raid is one of the most thrilling brought to the attention of the public since prohibition went into effect and has created considerable interest in all sections where it has become known. The still was located by the officers a day or so before the raid. It was when they returned to make the capture that three or four men were seen to leave in the dense growth of vegetation surrounding the still.

As the officers entered the clearing to take possession of the place they were startled by the rapid report of firearms. They turned to seek shelter behind trees, but Mr. Fleming and the other man were injured before this could be done.

This is the first time officials have been fired upon by blockaders in many months, and the outcome of the case will be watched with considerable interest. In the meantime, other members of the party may be apprehended, according to officials, who are making every effort to bring them to account.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE DIRECTORS REMOVED

(By Associated Press)
BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The board of directors of the First Church of Christ, (Scientists) today announced the removal of the board of trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society. The trustees at the same time insisted they were still in office and that the fact that their resignations had been offered to the supreme court placed jurisdiction solely in the court's hands.

Special Values in Blankets
Special values in blankets and comforts are being offered in today's advertisement of J. S. Cheesman & Company. This store has a large stock of beautifully-patterned blankets and comforts and is offering them at great reductions. A reading of their advertisement in today's issue will prove of interest and profit.

Shriners Returning Home
Shriners from other towns, in attendance at the ceremonial here yesterday, returned to their homes this morning. While quite a number left here on the midnight train, the majority remained over until after the conclusion and did not leave New Bern until this morning.

Robert L. Bailey, of Greenville, who is well known locally, was in the city today on a brief business visit.

SARRAUT SAYS ATTITUDE OF OTHER POWERS MUST CHANGE

France's Insistence on Submarine Has Brought Forth Much Criticism

BRITISH BEGINNING
TO SHOW DISPLEASURE

Article Is Read From French Paper, Hinting at War With Great Britain

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—

Albert Sarraut, head of the French arms conference delegation, at a meeting today of the conference naval committee, declared in substance that France was beginning to be regarded with suspicion by the other powers represented at the Washington meeting, and that this could not go on.

M. Sarraut went on to say in substance, according to reports received from members of other delegations, that the position of France had become very uncomfortable. The remarks of the French delegation's head were made during a discussion of the Root resolution to regulate submarine warfare. An article read from a French periodical by Lord Lee, of the British delegation, according to reports, aroused the members of the French delegation and drew forth responses from M. Saurrut and Admiral de Bon of the French group.

The article in question purported to state the views of the naval general staff, approving the use made by Germany of the submarine against merchant shipping during the recent war. The article read by Lord Lee said the only weapon possessed by France to defend her coast and attack and destroy the British navy in event of war with Great Britain, was the submarine.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Efforts of the Washington conference to curb the use of the submarine as a weapon and France's claim for a large undersea fleet appeared to be the topic of interest in London.

The majority of the editorial writers assail the French attitude, which the Daily Telegraph says faces the world with "the possibility of world-wide orientation of naval policy away from the capital ship and toward the submarine."