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## SENATOR TOM HEFLIN TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL DINNER OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

### Alabama Senator Consents to Come to Gastonia March 24 For Annual Membership Dinner of Local Chamber—Congressman Bulwinkle Secured Him For Occasion.

Senator Thomas J. Heflin, of Alabama, one of the most famous raconteurs in America, will be chief speaker at the annual membership dinner of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce this year. The annual dinner will be held in the chamber of commerce auditorium on Friday, March 24th. All members in good standing at the time will be guests of the organization for the affair.

Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle advised the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday afternoon that, following request made to him, he had seen Senator Heflin and that the senator had agreed to come on the date mentioned. Louis A. Brown, a member of the chamber of commerce, accompanied Major Bulwinkle when he went to see the senator and spoke of Gastonia. He is flooded with requests from all over the country to deliver addresses and simply has to turn them down but his good feeling for Gastonia induced him to make an exception in this case.

Many members of the chamber of commerce have insisted to the officers for over a year that Senator Heflin be brought here. Every effort was made to get him last year but pending legislation prevented his leaving Washington.

## BANK OF BELMONT BUYS PEOPLE'S EXCHANGE BANK

### Older Belmont Bank Effects Merger With Younger Institution—Bank of Belmont Has Had Prosperous History.

Announcement is made today of a merger of the Bank of Belmont and of the People's Exchange Bank of the same town. The Bank of Belmont, it is understood, takes over the assets of the People's Exchange Bank. The People's Bank was organized about two years ago with R. B. Suggs, president and W. D. Crawford, cashier.

The Bank of Belmont was organized in 1908, and has grown to be one of the strongest institutions in the State. R. L. Stone is president and W. R. Puett, cashier.

## THERMOMETER HOVERING AROUND 22 DEGREES BELOW ZERO IN VERMONT

### Northeastern United States Is Having Coldest Weather Of The Winter—Northwest Is Comparatively Mild—Cold Wave Extends South.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—North-eastern United States was shrouded in ice today as a result of a cold snap of an unusual severity, according to reports to the Weather Bureau, whose forecasters would predict little relief before Saturday. On the other hand, the northwestern sections, which normally would be enduring the coldest period of the season, was said to have comparatively high temperatures.

The coldest spots in the United States today were Canton, N. Y., Northfield, Vt., and Greenville, Me., where the thermometer shivered around 22 degrees below zero. New York City, with a temperature of flat zero, weather bureau officials said, probably was undergoing "colder weather" than cities with lower registers, however, because of the abnormality of such temperatures in the metropolis and the fact that it was accentuated by a moisture laden wind.

The cold wave was in effect today far below the Mason and Dixon line, several cities reporting record low temperatures for periods of several years.

With the northeastern disturbance now centered off the Grand Banks, the official forecaster predicted "fair and cold" weather throughout the eastern tier today with temperatures below zero generally in New England, eastern and central New York and northeastern Pennsylvania, with much warmer weather Saturday. A decided rise was said to be already in progress throughout the Mississippi valley and the plain States.

## TRYING TO SETTLE COLUMBIA CAR STRIKE

### COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 17.—H. E. Thompson, of Batesburg, member of the state board of conciliation, is in Columbia, interested in bringing about, if possible, a settlement of the street car strike.

Councilman W. A. Coleman announced that a meeting of city council will probably be held during the afternoon or else Saturday, with a view to looking into the situation. However, Mr. Coleman stated, the franchise of the street cars company was granted by the State, the streets belonging to the State, and it may be difficult for council to take any hand in the matter.

F. H. Knox, president of the company, stated that no plans for resuming operation of the cars has been made and he does not know what the company will do. As yet it has no plans in the matter, he said. Mr. Knox stated that he does not know what the next move would be.

A. A. Gerald, president of the carmen's union, stated that he too did not know what the next move would be. He said he did not consider that the men were on strike, but that they had been "locked out."

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Five crippled men were to meet a chauffeurs' team in a bowling match tonight. One of the cripples bows from a wheel chair and has averaged 150 in several games.

## OREGON HUNTER HAD STOMACH FULL OF SHOT

### ASTORIA, OREGON, Feb. 17.—John H. Bell, noted locally as a hunter of wild fowls, and who for a period of years past has eaten his kills regularly, was reported seriously ill with his intestines full of shot which produced lead poisoning. Physicians removed more than 200 of the shot which they said Bell undoubtedly had swallowed in eating wild fowl whose carcasses he had sprinkled with them.

## COLUMBIA WOMAN GETS \$40,000 FROM DESPORTES FOR BREACH OF PROMISE

### Prominent Columbia Financier Sued For \$150,000 by Mrs. Lyde McDonald—Had Lived Together as Man and Wife For 20 Years—Mr. Desportes Is One of Columbia's Wealthiest and Most Prominent Citizens.

(By The Associated Press.) COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 17.—A verdict of forty thousand dollars was awarded to Mrs. Lyde McDonald today, in her suit against Richard S. Desportes, prominent Columbia financier, in which she sued for \$150,000 in an alleged breach of promise action.

The trial started Wednesday morning and the jury was out all last night.

Mrs. McDonald alleged that she and Mr. Desportes had lived together as man and wife for twenty years, that they had been west together, registering at hotels as man and wife; and that he had paid her many attentions, and that he left her recently.

Mr. Desportes is director of a large bank here, he is owner of large properties in the city and is a member of a prominent family.

## BELMONT HIGHS WIN FROM WINSTON-SALEM IN BASKETBALL

### Fast Going Gaston County Quintet Takes Close Game From Twin City—Lads by Score of 38 to 32—Play Charlotte High Today.

BELMONT, Feb. 16.—The speedy quint from the local high school won from the Winston-Salem high school team here tonight by the score of 38 to 32 in a fast, hard-fought game. The locals won by superiority in goal shooting. They were unmercifully lucky in catching the ball from every angle. In teamwork and passing the Twin City lads were equally as good as the locals, but they were slightly off in their ability to locate the basket.

Calhoun and Leeper were the big scorers for their respective teams. Winston-Salem goes to Davidson Friday to play the Davidson College President. The locals play Charlotte High in a basketball game at Charlotte.

Coach Hill is whipping his men into shape for the first game next week with Dallas high school in the State preliminary contest. The game will be played at Belmont Tuesday, February 21. The winner plays the Kings Mountain-Bessemer City winner at Charlotte, February 25th.

The line-up and summary of tonight's game:

Belmont (38)—Brown, 8; (6); Lerner (11); Hand (4); Garrison (4). M. Dixon (1).

Winston-Salem (32)—Coffey (8); Da-vis, Roberts, Gidley (4); Connelly (1).

Referee, Hall (Davidson.)

## SEARCH FOR SANDS HAS NOT BEEN ABANDONED.

### LOS ANGELES, Feb. 17.—Following a two-hour re-examination of William Davis, chauffeur for Mabel Normand, yesterday, investigators, police detectives, deputy sheriffs and others assigned to the task of trying to solve the mystery surrounding the murder of William Desmond Taylor, resumed their duties today with the announcement that they had made practically no further progress in the case as a result of quizzing Davis.

Though some of the investigators have eliminated Edward F. Sands, former butler for Taylor, from any connection with the case, the search for the missing man has not been abandoned. Latest reports to the authorities have relating to him came from Hartford, Conn., where Sands was to have been known among sailors during 1919, as "Chief" Snyder. Another report received by police detectives was that the missing butler had fled to Mexico and had been seen in Chihuahua.

## CURING ILLS OF BUSINESS THROUGH PSYCHOLOGY

### NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Curing the ills of business through psychology applied to finding for each individual the sort of work he is best fitted to do, was the announced aim of a group of psychologists who incorporated under the name of the Psychological Corporation, with offices in New York.

The plan of the board of directors, headed by Dr. James R. Angell, president of Yale, is to give tests, similar to the army intelligence tests given during the war, to find out what a man is doing as a basis of vocational guidance.

Through this method, the incorporation announced, it is hoped to double the national wealth each year by avoiding misfits in business and professional life.

## MINISTER GETS LIFE TERM FOR MURDER

### MOUNT IDA, ARK., Feb. 17.—The Rev. Harding Hughes, superannated minister, charged with murder in connection with the death of Mrs. Anna McKennon last May, was found guilty by a jury early today. His punishment was fixed at life imprisonment.

## BONUS OUTLOOK MORE BEFUDDLED; SIMMONS ASSAULTS SALES TAX

### Harding Plan Draws Fire from All Leading Democrats—Bonus Looks Like Dead "Hope" Seems All That Is Left—Simmons Urges Use Foreign Debt Interest.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—President Harding's unexpected ultimatum that a soldiers' bonus bill must be accompanied by a general sales tax to pay it, or that the whole scheme must be postponed brought confusing comment from members of the senate and house today. The soldier and the average seeker after information as to what is to happen can only become more befuddled than ever following receipt of the President's views and the reaction they brought in Congress.

Democrats, headed by Senators Simmons and Underwood in the senate, and Garrett and Garner in the house, are openly antagonistic. In an interview with The Daily News correspondent today, Senator Simmons tersely recounted the bonus situation and said in the latest development a plan to indefinitely postpone the bill or to recognize the sales tax, for which there has been a propaganda for some time. Mr. Simmons still thinks the way to pay the bonus is from the interest of the foreign debt, even if a moderate amount of short-time treasury certificates must be issued for the initial payments, these to be absorbed a little later by the funds received from foreign countries. He denounced the sales tax plan.

Democrats say the sales tax will never do, and in this view many Republicans, including those of the agricultural bloc agree. It looks tonight as though the soldier bonus were dead, although certain members continue to give the soldiers the oxygen treatment of hope.

Simmons Attacks Sales Tax. Speaking, no doubt, for the Democratic minority of the senate, Senator Simmons, ranking Democrat of the finance committee, said:

"A sales tax is nothing but a consumption tax. There has been a propaganda in favor of a sales tax for a year or more. It is a tax that relieves business and the wealthy of their share of taxation, because the burden is passed on to the consumer. It has twice been repudiated in Congress. I do not believe it will receive any Democratic support nor do I think it can get through Congress."

"By linking this impossible tax with the suggestion of a postponement of a bonus legislation, I believe the President really means to bring about postponement. That seems to be the prospect tonight. The President says a sales tax does not commit the government to class imposition of taxes. That is true. It does not commit us to class impositions but it does commit us to class exemptions. It exempts the business and wealthy classes, who already have had their burdens partly lifted by modification of the surtaxes and repeal of the excess profits. Mr. Harding is inconsistent in that he has said we cannot have more taxation to pay the bonus, but now he proposes more taxation in form of a sales tax."

House leaders say that a sales tax can never pass the lower body because of the opposition of the agricultural minority, backed by the agricultural bloc. In the senate the sales tax received only 25 votes when it was submitted several months ago.

"There will be a bonus bill at this session," said Chairman Fordney of the Ways and Means committee, late today.

"How will it be financed?" he was asked.

"That is for the committee to decide," was the non-committal comment of Mr. Fordney.

Representative Longworth, of the house subcommittee on the bonus, suggested that today's development meant that either there must be sales tax legislation or payment of the soldier bonus must await the time when Great Britain begins to pay the interest on the amount that country owes the United States, which might be within a few months.

## More Loans To Banks.

The war finance corporation today announced that it had approved additional loans to North Carolina banks amounting to \$215,000 for agricultural purposes in the State.

The war department announces that the Parks-Bell company, of Concord, N. C., were among the successful bidders for a part of the large consignment of new trench and field shoes recently offered for sale by the department. In all 29 awards were made and the Concord firm was one of the number.

Miss Ione Kitchin, daughter of Representative and Mrs. Claude Kitchin, whose critical illness, was recently reported in these dispatches, has taken another turn for the worse and the end is believed near. Mrs. Kitchin is said by physicians to be suffering from an in-curable malady and her end is expected at any time.

## THE WEATHER

North Carolina, mostly cloudy tonight and Saturday, rising temperature.

## COMMUNITY CHORUS PRACTICE FRIDAY NIGHT

The Community Chorus will hold a practice meeting Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the central school instead of at the Chamber of Commerce on account of the fact that the latter place will be in use for the address by Dr. Easton. Mr. Hoffmeister is particularly anxious that every member of the chorus be present Friday night.

## THINKS MUSIC WILL MAKE COWS GIVE MORE MILK

### KINSTON, N. C., Feb. 17.—Will music make cows give more milk? Dr. Banks McNairy, superintendent of Caswell Training School, near Kinston, has a hunch that it will, and within the next few days two phonographs will be installed in the cow barn at the school to furnish music while the herd of Holsteins are being milked morning and afternoon. While Dr. McNairy has not decided on the numbers to be played, "Down on the Farm," "In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree," "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," "Home, Sweet Home," and others are among the tunes being considered.

## WEALTHY KENTUCKIAN SHOT IN LAWYER'S OFFICE

### A. H. Wilson Shot and Killed by John P. Todd in Divorce Hearing in Judge's Office.

(By The Associated Press.) SOMERSET, Ky., Feb. 17.—John P. Todd, farmer, who yesterday shot and killed A. H. Wilson, wealthy hotel owner, in a lawyer's office here after Wilson had denounced as a "black leg" Todd's charges that he had been intimate with Mrs. Todd, today remained silent concerning the case.

The shooting occurred during the taking of depositions in divorce proceedings. Wilson had been named correspondent to Todd's counter claim to Mrs. Todd's suit, charging cruelty.

Mrs. Todd was in an anti room when she could hear the testimony.

"Were you ever intimate with Mrs. Todd?" asked Judge William C. Gentry, attorney for Mrs. Todd.

"Absolutely not. It's a lie as black as one as ever was told."

Before there was time for any one to interfere, Todd had whipped a pistol from his pocket and fired four shots at Wilson, seated only a few feet away. Three shots took effect and Wilson died a few minutes later. Todd surrendered and was taken to jail. He is the father of three children. Wilson has a daughter, who is the wife of James Sneyer, star University of Kentucky football player.

## WESLEY BARACA CLASS HOLDS ANNUAL BANQUET

### Young Men's Bible Class of Main Street Methodist Church Held Enjoyable Banquet in Dining Room of First Presbyterian Church.

Officers and members of the Wesley Baraca Class of Main Street Methodist church, of which Mr. R. N. Aycock is president, met in the splendid new dining room of the First Presbyterian church Thursday evening at 7:30 for their annual banquet. In spite of the inclement weather there was a good attendance and the occasion was a most enjoyable one from start to finish.

After the invocation by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Starnes, the guests partook of a delicious dinner prepared by the ladies of the church. A former teacher of the class, and response was made by Mr. A. J. Kirby, one of the former class presidents. Messrs. D. H. Williams and K. M. Glass gave several songs and monologues which were of a diverting nature. Short talks were then made by a number of members of the class along the line of how to improve and strengthen the splendid work already being done by the class.

A tempting menu consisting of ham, fried oysters, potato salad, green peas in patties, cheese straws, pickles, celery, hot rolls, coffee, ice cream and cake was served by members of the ladies' circles of the church. At each plate was placed a small booklet containing the menu and program for the evening's entertainment, together with a complete list of the officers and committees of the class and a roster of the entire membership.

Before adjournment a rising vote of thanks was tendered the officers of the First Presbyterian church for their kindness in voluntarily offering the use of their dining room and equipment, and to the ladies for the splendid menu which was a treat.

This class expects within the next two months to be located in its own quarters in the handsome new Young People's building of Main Street Methodist church, and under the leadership of its new officers hopes to make even greater progress than in the past. The officers of the class are R. N. Aycock, president; B. E. Jordan, vice-president; John R. Huse, secretary; T. B. Carpenter, assistant secretary; and Lee Spencer, treasurer. Mr. George W. Wilson is teacher and Messrs. Howard R. Thompson and Claude B. Woltz are assistant teachers.

## COMPETITION BETWEEN BIG BUSINESS AND BOOTLEGGER

### LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 17.—Tumbling prices for moonshine whiskey has resulted in a bitter war between big business and the ordinary bootlegger here, according to Edward Volz, prohibition officer.

"The business men" has entered the field, Mr. Volz said, with quantity production and low prices. He is being fought by the smaller operator whose chief weapon is the law, and who is seeking to maintain high prices by furnishing "tips" about large stills to prohibition officers.

Business jealousy, Mr. Volz declared, "causes more raids than the detective ability of the officers."

Moonshine is selling here at about what formerly was paid for good whisky, or \$4 a gallon, the agent said.

## Baseball Rejected.

PARIS, Feb. 17.—The French committee in charge of the Olympic games for 1924 has rejected baseball as an official sport selecting canoe racing to complete its program.

It was indicated, however, that an unofficial international baseball tournament in connection with the Olympic would be approved.

## KIDNAPPED UNIONISTS ARE RETURNED TO HOMES; DANGER NOT REMOVED

### British Military Evacuation Is Resumed Today—Forty-Two Ulster Unionists Are Returned to Homes.

(By The Associated Press.) BELFAST, Feb. 17.—Return to their homes of a large number of the kidnapped unionists has had a stimulating effect on public opinion in Ulster, but the situation on the border continues to be one of danger owing to the proximity of rival forces at some points.

News of the arrangement for liaison commissions on each side of the frontier also was received with satisfaction and the hope is widely expressed that they will become operative as quickly as possible. Apparently, however, considerable preliminary work is necessary before the commissions can begin to function.

## Evacuation Resumed.

DUBLIN, Feb. 17.—The British military evacuation of Ireland is expected to be resumed today or tomorrow, it was declared by Michael Collins, head of the provisional Irish Government, on his return from Dublin where he interviewed Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary of colonies.

General Sir Cyril Maude, British military commander in Ireland, visited Mr. Collins in the afternoon and their conversation, it was assumed, was in connection with the withdrawal of the troops. Up to last night the troop movement had not been resumed but preparations were under way for the immediate shipment of hundreds of tons of army stores.

## 42 Returned.

BELFAST, Feb. 17.—Forty-two Ulster unionists, kidnapped during the recent raids across the border from the South, have been released. Michael Collins, head of the provisional government today telegraphed Colonial Secretary Churchill that he had succeeded in obtaining the liberation of this number of prisoners.

## FAMOUS INTERVIEW WITH GERMAN KAISER ALMOST MADE PUBLIC TO WORLD

### Descendant of Noah Webster Tells Journalist Students About William Bayard Hale's Interview in 1908 With Kaiser Wilhelm.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—William Bayard Hale's famous interview with the German Kaiser, Wilhelm II, sold to the Century Magazine in 1908, for \$1,000 and partly printed before it was suppressed, was almost made known to the world last night by William Webster Ellsworth, former president of the Century Publishing Company, and descendant of Noah Webster.

Portions of the famous interview were told to the students of a McGill School of Journalism after reporters had pressed him not to make them public.

"What was it," asked Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick, daughter of John D. Rockefeller, at the conclusion of the address, "that the Kaiser said about my father? Do tell me even though it was unfavorable."

"My dear lady," replied Noah Webster's great grandson, "I can only reply that it was unfavorable. Other than that, I remember nothing in that part of the interview. And every single copy of the interview was taken 200 miles out into the Atlantic ocean and there burned in a local detachment of German naval officers who spent the day in the frigate rooms of a warship to do it."

Mr. Ellsworth told how William Bayard Hale obtained permission to interview the Kaiser and how the latter spoke freely to him on scores of subjects while passing the deck of a yacht in the month of May. He told how the Century magazine bought it, and suppressed it after requests to do this, poured in on them, when the London Telegraph printed an interview with the Kaiser that aroused much ill feeling in England and also in Germany. He also told how President Roosevelt was given a copy and how all the other printed pages were placed in a safety deposit vault and later were turned over to the German Government, which sent a warship here to get them.

## Six Million Starving.

(By The Associated Press.) SHANGHAI, CHINA, Jan. 29.—More than 6,000,000 people are facing starvation in the provinces of Kiangsu in which Shanghai is located, and Chekiang and Anhwei, according to estimates compiled here. Unprecedented floods which wiped out twenty per cent of the rice crop in these districts are blamed for the food shortage.

## FIRE DESTROYS FOURTH OF BLOCK IN BIRMINGHAM

### BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 17.—Fire originating at 3 o'clock this morning wiped out one-fourth of a city block at Twenty First street and Fourth avenue in the heart of the downtown business district. Included in the burned area was the Oster building, which housed the Oster Brothers' Furniture Company. First estimates place the loss above \$300,000.

## New Iowa Senator

(By The Associated Press.) DES MOINES, Feb. 17.—Charles A. Dawson, chairman of the State Republican committee, was appointed by the governor today as United States Senator from Iowa to fill out the term of Senator Kravon, who has accepted an appointment from President Harding as a Federal circuit judge.

## Cotton Market

CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Cotton futures closed steady.

March 17.50; May 17.57; July 17.05; October 16.57; December 16.47; Spots 18.10.

## TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

Strict to good middling ..... 17c  
Cotton seed ..... 51c

## UNIVERSITY STUDENTS KILLED, THREE INJURED WHEN TRAIN STRIKES AUTO AT DURHAM

### Dead Are George Hadley, of Mt. Airy, George Peoples, of Tounesville, Va., and T. H. Bryant Chauffeur, of Chapel Hill—Charles Iceman, of Monroe, P. Boney, of Goldsboro, and J. C. Spagh, of Winston-Salem, Injured—Were Returning From Dance at Raleigh.

(By The Associated Press.) DURHAM, N. C., Feb. 17.—Three boys were killed and three others injured when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a switch engine at a crossing in the eastern part of this city about 4 o'clock this morning. With the exception of the driver of the car, who was killed, all were students at the University of North Carolina.

The dead: George Hadley, Mount Airy, N. C.; George Terry Peoples, Tounesville, Va.; T. H. Bryant, Chapel Hill, chauffeur. The injured: Charles Iceman, Monroe, N. C., fractured skull, will probably die; P. Boney, Goldsboro, N. C., dislocated elbow; J. C. Spagh, Winston-Salem, N. C., scalp wound.

The six youths were returning to Chapel Hill from Raleigh, where they had attended a dance last night, when the accident occurred. Spagh, who was not badly injured, told hospital authorities that he believed all the boys were asleep except the driver, when the engine struck the car.

## MILLER SCHOOL IN YORK COUNTY BURNED THREE TIMES IN THREE MONTHS

### YORK, S. C., Feb. 17.—For the third time in less than three months, the Miller school, near here, was destroyed by fire early today. The State sinking fund commission has offered a reward for the capture of the incendiary.

The original school building was burned December 11 last and the school was given temporary quarters in the Harmony Presbyterian Church, nearby. The church went up in a blaze January 2. A new school building was completed on Wednesday and this was discovered on fire shortly after midnight this morning.

## TO CALL IN LEGION OFFICERS TO CONSULT ABOUT THE BONUS PLAN

### Uncertain as to Whether Bonus Bill Can Be Put Through or Not—Cash Payments May Be Made in Lump Sum Rather Than Spread Over Period of Two Years.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Majority members of the House Ways and Means committee, in whose hands the soldiers' bonus problem now rests, before meeting today, had indicated they planned first to consider President Harding's suggestion that the cash payments be deferred until they could be made in lump sum instead of spread over a period of two and a half years. It was stated that officers of the American Legion would be called in first to give their views on this alternative which the committee planned to examine instead of taking up immediately the question of taxation or other means of financing the bonus.

Whether the bonus bill could be put through with a general sales tax provision, as recommended by the President in his letter yesterday as the only alternative in his view, or postponement of the legislation, was regarded by leaders generally today, both republican and democratic, as too uncertain to warrant prediction, in view of the strong opposition to such a tax. Some of those favorable to such a tax, however, believed that many of those now opposed to it would come to accept such a provision in the bill rather than see the bonus program defeated.

## RADIO OPERATORS DISCUSS VACUUM TUBE TRANSMISSION

### WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Vacuum tube transmission in wireless telegraphy, which made possible coast to coast communication by low powered amateur radio stations recently and which assured the success of the American radio relay league in reaching across the Atlantic, was the main topic of discussion of members of the league from the Third and Fourth radio districts, who met in an annual convention here today. Among the delegates were representatives from North and South Carolina, and Georgia.

## KILLED WHEN HE TRIED TO HIT NEGRO WITH GUN

### HAZELHURST, GA., Feb. 17.—Frank Collins, a farmer of Jeff Davis county, received wounds from which he died in a few hours at his home near here yesterday when he attempted to strike John Whittle, a negro servant, with the butt end of his gun and he accidentally discharged, according to information received here by officers.

## 1st U. S. CAVALRY IS HELD IN READINESS

### EL PASO, TEXAS, Feb. 17.—Despite the failure of Mexican revolutionists to attack Juarez, opposite here, as it was rumored they intended to do, and the assertion of General Eugenio Martinez, commander of the northern military zone of Mexico, that there was no sign of revolutionary activity in the zone, the first United States cavalry stationed at Fort Bliss, here, still was held in camp this morning in readiness for emergencies.

## The Gastonia Community Service

Presents the Gastonia Community Chorus in Its Second Annual Concert, Monday Evening, February 20th, at 8 P. M.

PROGRAM

"Gallia" ..... Gounod

Gastonia Community Chorus ..... Selected

Chamber of Commerce Glee Club

"The Heavens Are Telling" (From "The Creation") ..... Haydn

Gastonia Community Chorus

"Bridal Chorus" (From "Rose Maiden") ..... Cowen

Woman's Chorus

Solo ..... Selected

"The Hallelujah Chorus" (From "The Messiah") ..... Handel

Gastonia Community Chorus

Roy L. Hoffmeister, Community Service, Inc., conducting.

Assisting Soloists:

Mrs. Marie Torrance, soprano. Mr. D. H. Williams, baritone.  
Mrs. D. H. Williams, soprano. Mr. Z. Wagoner, accompanist.  
Mr. John H. Miller, tenor. Mrs. A. C. Jones, accompanist.