

Five Americans Lost Their Lives

Four Missionaries On Way From New York to Capetown Lost In Sight Of Their Destination.

(By United Press)

Washington, Aug. 13.—Five Americans lost their lives when the American vessel, City of Athens, was sunk off Capetown, Africa.

Four of the crew and ten additional passengers were lost. The vessel carried missionaries from Brooklyn and New York headquarters to Capetown.

Their destination was almost in sight when they struck the mine.

The dead are: Mr. Summer, four missionaries.—Mr. and Mrs. Naygard, Miss Robinson, Miss Caroline Thompson. In addition, the State Department said today that an Englishman named Duckworth with his American wife and six children is lost.

The only steamer listed in Lloyd's by the name of the City of Athens, is a British steamer of 5594 tons, registered at Glasgow. Officials of the American Navigation Company of New York reported to be the owners of the vessel said today that they did not own a vessel by that name.

PLANNING FOR BLACK SAMMIES

AMERICA'S NEGRO TROOPS WILL BE AN INNOVATION AT THE FRONT BUT MAY BE DEPEND- ED ON NOT TO BE QUITTERS UN- DER FIRE

Washington, Aug. 13.—Plans for handling the American Army of black Sammies are being perfected by draft officials and the War Department.

There should be enough of the 369,886 registered negro boys for the selection of a special fighting division of these dusky warriors. A training camp for negro officers is already established in Iowa. The War Department is considering the advisability of special cantonments for the drafted blacks.

"They'll be a distinct innovation at the front," said one of the high draft officials today. "I never saw negro troops yet though that were under fire."

ARMY MEN CAN'T ENLIST IN NAVY

Washington, Aug. 13.—Men summoned for examination in the American Draft Army can't enlist in the Navy. General Crowder ruled today.

THE DOUBLE CROSS

Molly King in "The Mystery of the Double Cross," has arrived, and will positively be shown at the Alkrama tonight. Also the regular program.

SELIG—LEHMAN

Suffolk, August 12.—This afternoon at 5 o'clock Miss Blanch Belle Lehman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lehman of this city, became the bride of Frank W. Selig of Elizabeth City, N. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Selig. The ceremony was performed by Dr. L. D. Mendoza of Norfolk in the parlors of the Monticello hotel. The members of the families of the bride and groom were present.

The bride was attired in blue satin and Georgette crepe, and carried lilies of the valley. Immediately after the ceremony, an elaborate dinner was served at the Monticello, in honor of the bridal party. Covers were laid for twenty, and the decorations were in white and green.

Among those who were present from Suffolk were Mr. and Mrs. N. Lehman, Miss Bernice Lehman, E. L. Leaman, Emile Bottigheimer, Miss Hannah Bottigheimer; relatives and friends of both persons from Norfolk, Richmond and Elizabeth City were also present.

Mr. and Mrs. Selig left for an extended northern tour, and will make their home in Elizabeth City.

LOWER PRICES NOW EXPECTED

HERBERT C. HOOVER WARNS WHEAT BARONS TO RESTRICT MARGINS OF PROFIT

(By United Press)

Washington, Aug. 13.—Herbert Hoover today began his drive against high prices.

The first objective aimed at is the lowering and stabilizing the price of the American loaf.

The next will be to stabilize the price of canned goods, meats and other food products.

The new food administrator began today by serving notice on the wheat barons that the food control law will be vigorously enforced and by declaring that the Government is prepared, if necessary, to buy the whole 1917 wheat harvest of approximately 650,000,000 bushels.

These steps will be taken, if necessary, the Government announces, for the protection of both the producer and the consumer.

All elevators, millers, distributors and bankers are warned therefore to restrict their margins of profits.

THIRD WEEK IN FLANDERS

(By United Press)

London, Aug. 13.—The battle of Flanders entered upon its third week today with Field Marshal Haig's statement announcing "nothing of special interest to report. Sharp, brief engagements, however, marked the past 48 hours as the Germans endeavored to regain some of the ground taken by the British. At the end of last week the enemy was persistently endeavoring to retake West Hook Ridge British artillery, however, has been extremely well served and British attacks have been unaffected by heavy losses."

PREPARE FOR ITALIAN ATTACK

(By United Press)

Rome, Aug. 13.—Austrians are hurrying reinforcements to the Carso front in anticipation of a strong Italian attack. Reports here state that Italian airplanes are extremely active on the Carso and other fronts.

FIRST STEP TO SETTLE STRIKE

(By United Press)

Washington, Aug. 13.—The first step toward the settlement of the Kentucky Coal mine strike in which 18,000 miners walked out last Saturday was announced by the Labor Department today. The miners and laborers have agreed to hold an information conference tomorrow.

HIGHER PRICES FOR HOGS PREDICTED

(By United Press)

Chicago, Aug. 13.—Eighteen dollar hogs before September are predicted by commission men. Top prices today are \$17.40 per hundred pounds.

BURGLARS MAKE BIG CLEANUP

RAID HOME OF MR. AND MRS. G. F. DERRICKSON IN HEART OF TOWN AND CARRY AWAY IM- MENSE LOADS

For a number of years it has appeared that Elizabeth City burglars are a hundred per cent efficient, knowing well where to go, how to get what they want and how to make their escape, but the 'gentleman of the trade' and his allies who gave the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Derrickson a veritable cleanup during their two weeks absence from the city has quite eclipsed his predecessors or his former achievements as the case may be.

Mr. and Mrs. Derrickson returned Monday morning from Nags Head. Mrs. Derrickson unlocked the front door and entered without observing anything unusual, but almost immediately upon entering the home she saw evidences of disorder which caused her to begin investigating. A big ham was gone from the kitchen, the pantry was well emptied, the silver was missing, the only money which had been left in the house was gone, clothes, household furnishings, indeed, it seemed almost easier to say what remained behind than what had been taken, and the wonder grows how even an up-to-date burglar with auto delivery truck, flying machines and submarines could get off with so much without detection.

The case was such a strange one that the police at first asked that for the present it should not be made public, in order that every effort might be made to find a clue. But the matter could not be kept quiet. Soon nearly every one in town was talking about it and it is now believed that publicity may be the best means of finding out who carried away the immense amount of loot. It is supposed that effort will be made to sell or ship some of the stolen goods and it is hoped that any one hearing of or observing such efforts will report to the police or to Mr. and Mrs. Derrickson.

Many other families are away for the summer or a part of the summer, and how many more residences have suffered the same fate as the Derrickson home remains to be seen as housekeepers return from summer trips.

ROAD STREET GROCERY ROBBED SATURDAY

The cash register of The Road Street Grocery was robbed of about \$75.00 Saturday night at about 11:30.

The proprietor, Mr. S. S. Leary, was in the act of closing the store when someone rushed to the door and told him his stables were on fire and he had better get his horse out.

Mr. Leary went out and found his stables were on fire and after helping put out the fire he returned to his store and found the cash register had been robbed of about \$75.00. He was away from his store for only about ten minutes.

The police were called and began to search for the robber, but no trace of him had been found when this paper went to press today.

GOT NEW TYPE GERMAN PLANE

(By United Press)

London, Aug. 13.—Two of the German airplanes which raided the coast resort of Southend and other towns Sunday were downed by British flyers, the admiralty announced today. One of them got a new type German plane.

CANNOT HIDE UNDER RELIGIOUS CLOAK

(By United Press)

Washington, Aug. 13.—Drafted persons whose religious convictions prohibit their making war will be forwarded to the mobilization camps and will make up a part of the quotas from their districts. They will be assigned duty as non-combatants, Provost Marshall General Crowder announced today.

BANK WILL OPEN NOVEMBER FIRST

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SOUTH MILLS WILL BE THE NAME OF CAMDEN COUNTY'S FIRST BANKING INSTITUTION

Progressive citizens of Camden County have read with some resentment recent statements from the University of North Carolina which tended to place Camden County among the isolated and backward counties of the State whereas it is in direct touch with markets and business centers both by rail and by water and is always on the alert in the matters of good farms, and is striving for good roads and other progressive action.

While the University deplored Camden County's lack of a banking institution, the county was already making plans to open such an institution by November first. The bank will be called the First National Bank of South Mills, will be located at South Mills and will have a capital stock of \$25,000, subscribed by the people of Camden County and of New land township in Pasquotank County, who are conveniently located to patronize such a bank.

Mr. Alton Jordan of Shiloh has been at South Mills recently working on the details of the plans for the bank with the assistance of Mr. R. C. Dozier, one of South Mills leading attorneys. Everything is going well for the new bank reports Mr. Dozier who was in the city Monday on business, and the bank will be ready for actual business by November first.

Camden and Currituck would both have had banks long before this had not both these counties been so situated geographically that Elizabeth City is of easier access to the people of the two counties than any point within either of them.

NO PASSPORTS FOR SOCIALISTS

(By United Press)

London, Aug. 13.—The Allied nations are agreed that no passports shall be issued to Socialists to attend the International Conference scheduled for Stockholm next month at which peace is to be discussed.

Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking for the British government in the House of Commons today announced that the United States, France, Italy agreed with England in this matter.

Passports permitting the attendance of the conference will be withheld. Kerensky has opposed invitations originally issued Russians but whether passports will be issued in Russia is not yet clear.

WILL SEND BASEBALL NEWS TO FRANCE

Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington American League club, who has charge of the Bat and Ball fund from which the revenue is derived to send baseball paraphernalia to the American boys in the trenches, has also now made arrangements whereby the soldiers in France will have all the baseball news that they wish, he having just placed an order for 50 copies of The Sporting News, the official baseball paper, to be sent to General John J. Pershing, United States Army, Somewhere in France.

When it was originally decided to forward baseball paraphernalia to the soldiers in France, it was not planned to send baseball news, but on account of the persistent demand among some of the soldiers who do not wish to play, but who want copies of The Sporting News, they will receive them in the future. In addition to these papers which Mr. Griffith has ordered, J. G. Taylor Spink, publisher of The Sporting News, has been sending five hundred copies of the paper each week to Harry Kingman, of the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. stationed in Paris, France.

HOSIERY COMPANY INSTALLS MACHINERY

The Ideal Hosiery Company is getting in shape for work.

Machinery is being installed in the Pinner Building on Poindexter street, which has been leased by the company.

Ticks Get Ticket To Dipping Vat

And Work Of Eradicating This Pest Means That Feed Which Used To Go To Feed Ticks Will Now Feed Soldiers.

Quietly, slowly and without a great deal of noise, but steadily and surely notwithstanding the cattle tick is being eradicated from the eastern counties of North Carolina. It will not be long before the quarantine now in force against twenty-two counties in the state will be lifted.

In charge of this work in the three counties to the north of Albemarle sound in Dr. J. W. Buchanan of the Federal Department of Agriculture at Washington. He has been in this section now for about three months. Asked today how long he would remain he replied, "Until the cattle tick is gone."

"We have been working quietly and without any friction," says Dr. Buchanan, "and all of the work done up to this time may be considered in the nature of demonstration work, but the farmers are daily becoming more interested and soon there will be community dipping vats within reach of every farm in these three counties."

Already twenty-two hundred cattle are being dipped every month in the four counties of Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck. Fourteen hundred of these are Perquimans county cattle. Five dipping vats are already in service in Perquimans, and four more are to be constructed in the near future. These are all community vats; that is, the farmers in any community come together and pay their pro rata share of the expense of constructing the vat, and then each farmer so contributing has the privilege of bringing his cattle in and putting them through the vat on the regular dipping days, which come every two weeks.

"That the general use throughout any section of the dipping vat will free that section of the cattle tick is not now a question of theory," says Dr. Buchanan, "but a matter of fact."

"Right here in North Carolina 78 counties have already been freed of the pest."

Neither is it a question of theory, even in this section where the first dipping vat was constructed only a few months ago, as to whether freeing the cattle of the cattle tick is of any benefit to the cattle. The farmers have seen with their own eyes and for themselves, and they now realize thoroughly that the more ticks that intrude themselves in the hides of the cattle the fewer pounds of meat, quarts of milk and pats of butter will the herd produce.

Saturday Dr. Buchanan took a reporter for this paper out to the home of Mr. Frank Cartwright below Weeksville, and the newspaper man watched the interesting and to him novel process of putting a herd of cattle through the vat now in use there. There were ninety-seven cattle to be dipped that morning and the whole bunch were herded into the lot and put through the vat in thirty-five minutes. The process would have been even shorter, but after emerging from the vat the animal that has been dipped is kept in a pen with a concrete floor and a drain pipe until the dipping vat solution has had time to drip from his body. This not only saves the solution, which is drained back into the vat, but also prevents the destruction of vegetation in the pasture around the vat by the drip of the poisonous solution.

reluctant but once in the narrow passage leading to the vat, a rail, slipped through the fence behind the animal, is brought to bear with one man power at each end and the result is entire satisfactory and remarkably expeditious.

The cattle seen by the newspaper man Saturday had been dipped regularly every two weeks for the past three months, and they were good to look at. Sleek and shiny and in good condition in every way, they contrasted strikingly with the average cow seen along the county roads moving sluggishly out of the way of the passing automobile. Ticks do the same things for cows that leeches would, only more slowly, and the tick infested animal is fevered, blood impoverished and as far from normal in every way as is the human hookworm victim. The dipping vat gives the tick a ticket from tick-heaven to tick-hades and relieves the nation's commissary of an insidious parasite. When a farmer's herd is freed from the cattle tick the feed that once made food for the tick will make food for the soldiers.

"Ticks," says Dr. Buchanan, "not only cause loss of flesh and of milk by drawing blood from the cattle, but as the cause of Texas or tick fever they have been the source of the greatest loss in cattle and beef that the southern farmer has had to sustain. By putting in dipping vats and ridding their county of this pest the farmers are not only protecting themselves against loss of cattle and insuring larger profits for themselves. They are also, by increasing the nation's food supply, helping to keep our navies afloat and our armies afield."

Besides the vat visited Saturday, of the other three vats in Pasquotank county already doing business, one is on the Elisha Coppersmith farm near this city; another is on T. S. Ormley's farm near Okisko and Barney Berry of Salem township will complete the vat on his place this week.

In Camden vats are already in use on the farms of H. C. Ferebee and W. G. Ferebee.

In Currituck there is a vat on the farm of W. R. Sawyer at Shawboro.

In Perquimans the first vat constructed in this section is in regular use on the farm of Sawyer and Stevenson near Woodville. There is another on Daniel Eure's farm between Durants Neck and New Hope. George Alexander has one on his farm near Chapanoke; Phlander C. White at Whitstone has one; and Frank Nixon, six miles from Hertford on the road to Elizabeth City.

Other vats will be in operation soon. Within two weeks a vat will be in operation on C. C. Pappendick's farm near here; and at Okisko J. W. Perry now has one ready for use though no cattle had been dipped in it up to Saturday of last week. Another vat in Pasquotank soon is to be constructed at Pailin's Corner. G. W. Bryant at Parksville will soon have a vat on his place as will also Earl Perry of New Hope. J. H. Miller of Belvidere, John Coolson of New Hope, and Matthew Berry of Burgess all expect to have vats ready for use soon; and David Cox of Hertford will soon have one on his farm near Whitstone. In Currituck a vat will go in on Parker's farm at Corolla and another on Dr. J. C. Baum's across the sound from Poplar Branch. W. W. Jarvis will soon have a vat at Moyock also.

The extent to which all this will mean the general use of the dipping vat can be appreciated only when it is remembered that each of the vats spoken of either as completed or contemplated is a community vat used or to be used co-operatively by the farmers in its neighborhood.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday.