

ELIZABETH CITY, NORTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 30, 1920.

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BODY OF BANDIT TO ASK HELP OF BURIED TODAY **RURAL CHURCHES**

Notorious Murderer Paid The Death Penalty Last Night at Sing Sing. Parentage Remains Mystery

Ossing, Sing Sing, N. Y., Jan. 30. [The body of Gordon Fawcett Hamby, notorious murderer and bandit, electrocuted in Sing Sing prison last night for the murder of two officials of a Brooklyn bank in December, crue to the rural section by the bring-1918, was buried in a local cemetery | ing of Chowan College to Elizabeth today.

which he had studiously guarded rey is as follows: mained unsolved.

Hamby was arrested in Tacoma, Wash., last June under the name of bert Peele. "Jay B. Allan," afetr killing a man there in a revolver fight. He was later identified as one of the two rob- and T. J. Markham. bers who, on December 23, 1918, held up the East Brooklyn Savings Bank and, after killing two of its employes, escaped in an automobile with | Walter Small, L. B. Twiford and D. \$13,000.

Extradited to New York and tried for this crime Hamby stood revealed Skinner, G. R. Little and H. C. Bright as a self-confessed participant in the robbery of thirteen banks, and two Spence and S. L. Sheep. trains and many killings. He steadily refused to tell anything about his family. He said he preferred to be known as "Allan" and that he was born in 1893 in Alberta, Canada. He declared his parents were dead and that he had two brothers whom he had not seen for five years. He said he was a college graduate and had specialized in psychology.

After Hamby's conviction here, his attorney, against the prisoner's wishes, appealed his case. He obtained the appointment of a commission to determine the bandit's sanity but the higher court affirmed the verdict and he was also found to be "normal." He freely admitted his crimes and said he was wanted in Chicago, San Francisco and other places. After the Brooklyn robbery, Hamby said he met a girl in New York and that they went successively to Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Chicago, California and Tacoma.

"I was surprised the California police did not get me," he said, shortly near future. after being brought East. "Then in Tacoma I got in that political row with 'Bob' Davis and killed him 'Bob' was a game fellow and I'm sorry I shot him but I was afraid he was going to get me. After that I was all ready to beat it to Shanghai, & Jackson was badly smashed up China, and now here I am." "I expected to get \$50,000 out of the Brooklyn 'job,' " he confided, glass window on the corner of Main and Poindexter Streets Friday morn-"and I was greatly disappointed at the little we did get. This was being. R. A. Garrett, and Morris Gascause my partner did not carry out kins and Mrs. William Boettcher my instructions. I had ordered him were on the sidewalk near the pharmacy and barely escaped being run to jump over the rail the minute we entered the place but he was an amaover. The truck was driven by the teur and wasted too much time. It colored delivery driver for Cohoon took him about four minutes to pick & Jackson. up what money we did get when it should not have taken more than a CHAIRMAN PAGE "Who was your partner in the Brooklyn robbery?" he was asked. "I don't care to say. I don't want to implicate him. He is married and I think by this time has left the Meets County Highway Comcountry. I met him first in Norfolk, Va., a short time before the Brooklyn 'job.' " Hamby said he had never had any women accomplices in any of his robberies "because they talk too much." The day he was brought to Sing Sing the prisoner was asked what "interest" he had in life. He lighted a cigarette and watched the match burn itself down and go out before morning. he replied: "The only interest I have is to see that I spend the time from now until I go to the electric chair in smoking, reading and making myself comfortable. I know there is no possible chance of acquittal. I am guilty and that is all there is to it." At another time he said: "Nothing ever bothers me at all. The sooner the end comes the better. It's immaterial to me. I' sooner have it all over with than have this fuse. This progress in the selection of the jury place is nice. Everything here is for the trial of Senator Newberry and very nice. There isn't anything I the 123 others charged with violation ton Highs. want that I haven't got here. Judge Fawcett of Brooklyn, who diction this morning that the jury sentenced Hamby, said he was the box will be filled and the way cleared "worst" criminal of 6,000 who had for the introduction of evidence become before him in his entire career | fore adjournment. on the bench. Hamby's "philosophy of life" was embodied in the fellow ing statement he made just before goeing sentenced to die: "It is nothing for me to die becanne I am coming back. It may take a few years or it may take several thousand years, of course, but time does not count. Being brought into this world is like being placed in a class of small children, with each trying to compete with the other. of us are successful and some As for myself I have

Chowan College Committee Will Send Speakers to Out of **Town Congregations**

The best speakers that can be had in Elizabeth City will be sent to the rural churches of Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties Sunday to present to the congregations the advantages that would ac-City.

No one claimed the body and the The schedule which is being armystery surrounding his parentage, ranged and will be concluded today

> Sawyer's Creek Baptist Church-W. A. Worth, T. T. Turner and Her-

Shiloh Baptist Church-W. L. Cohoon, G. A. Twiddy, J. W. Dawson

South Mills Baptist Church-L. D. Case and E. F. Spencer.

Salem and Riverside-J. B. Leigh, C. Twiford.

Corinth-Dr. G. W. Clarke, L. E. Berea-C. E. Thompson, George J.

Olivet-Rev .H. K. Williams, W. O. Saunders, G. W. Brothers, C. A.

Cooke. Arrangements may be made to reach other churches today. Volunteers to go to Currituck churches to present the matter are needed and are invited to communicate with Dr. G. W. Clarke or other members of

the committee. Churches that are not reached this Sanday will be sent a speaker next week if the congregation so desires.

Any rural church that has not been visited by Chowan College speakers and that desires to co-operate in the work to secure Chowan College for Elizabeth City should send in a request for a speaker for next Sunday, February 8th, to Dr. Geo. W. Clarke, Elizabeth City, N. C.

It is desired that committees from every rural Baptist church in Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck counties appoint committees to at- cable added. tend the meeting of Chowan College trustees to be held at Edenton in the

The delivery Ford truck of Cohoon

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SUGAR CHEAP AND PLENTIFUL HERE

With sugar selling at 20 cents—and UP—els ewhere, it goes—as much as you can haul home-for 13 ents the pound in the sugar beet district of western Nebraska. The pictures show the beets loaded on freight cars in the Platte Valley, Nebraska, and the interior of a boiling room, with sugar bollers lined up for the camera.



Reported to be Hiding in Manchuria. Italian Soldier Defends His Country Against Insult

(By Associated Press)

Honolulu, Jan. 30 .--- Admiral Kol- at half past ten o'clock. She had chak is reported to have escaped been in ill health for some time. Last from the Bolsheviki and to be in fall she went to Florida for her hiding in Manchuria, according to a health but grew no better and re-Tokio dispatch to the Japanese news- turned to her home here early in paper here.

The social revolution which oc- prove but later became critically ill curred in Irkutsk and which ousted and last week her daughters were Kolchak transferred the governmen- summoned to her bedside. Once more tal powers to the Bolsheviki, the she seemed to be better but early on

member.

FATHER ALFANI **Funeral** Friday of Mrs. John C. Perry The funeral of Mrs. John C. Perry SCOFFS AT RUMORS was conducted from the home on First street Friday afternoon at three

Says William Marconi Should Sue For Libel Man Who Misless

(By Associated Press) Florence Italy, Jan. 30 .- Father the planets is "absolutely scanda-January where she seemed to imlous."

He added that William Marconi, should sue for libel the man who in- cil of Defense to obtain in each terviewed him recently and misquoted him as saying that the faint historical data. This Historical Com-Thursday morning she grew worse

For Purpose of Stimulating Interest in The Collection of War Records in Eastern North Carolina

RALEIGH FEB. 4TH.

CONFERENCE IN

NO. 26

Raleigh, Jan. 30 .- The North Carolina Historical Commission will hold a conference in the Senate Chamber on Wednesday, February 4th, for the purpose of stimulating interest in the collection of war records in eastern North Carolina. This conference will be followed by a similar one, perhaps in Salisbury, at a later date, for the western part of the State.

The Historical Commission has at present thirty-four representatives in eastern North Carolina, and of these the following will attend the conference: Miss Lida T. Rodman, Washington; Mr. R. C. Deal, Elizabethtown; Hon, Francis D. Winston, Windsor; Rev. R. B. Drane, Edenton; Mr. K. B. Council, Wananish; Mr. T. W. Costen, Gatesville; Mr. J. E. Debnam, Snow Hill; Mrs. E. L. Whitehead, Enfield; Mr. L. T. Royall, Smithfield; Mr. R. D. Dixon, Trenton; Mr. G. V. Cowper, Kinston; Miss Catharine Albertson, Elizabeth City; Mr. J. W. Noell, Roxboro; Mr. W. R. Coppedge, Rockingham; Mr. T. M. Pittman, Henderson; Col. F. A. Olds, Raleigh; Mr. Brodie L. Jones, Warrenton.

All of the other representatives in the eastern part of the State have been notified, and it is expected that a number of them will be present. although they have not yet definitely quoted Him on Planet Wire- accepted the invitation of the Historical Commission.

This conference will outline specifically what particular war records should be preserved in each county Alfani, director of the Ximenian Ob- of the State, and will endeavor to servatory here, said today that to obtain representatives in each county spread rumors relative to the inter- of eastern North Carolina to work change of wireless messages between out this system of preserving war records.

This work is following up efforts made in the first part of the war by inventor of the wireless system, the Historical Committee of the Coun county a representative to preserve Slav and German sailors aboard the Mrs. Perry was 54 years old and signals picked up by wireless stations mittee was unable to obtain represteamer Africa at Singapore recent are death occurred on the 35th anthose named above. The work of all these has been faithful and patrice tic. It is under the specific direction of R. B. House, Collector of War Records for the Historical Commission, who was appointed under a law growing out of this early work of the Council of Defense.

o'clock by her pastor, Dr. Geo. W. Clarke. Interment was made in Hollywood. The pallbearers were deacons of Blackwell Memorial Baptist church of which she was a loyal Mrs. Perry died Thursday morning

TRUCK RUNS INTO STANDARD PHARMACY Messagero. None were seriously in-

home from Siberia.

when it rap into the corner of the SAYS FARMERS Standard Pharmacy just back of the NOT SATISFIED

> Predicts Decreased Farm Production and Increase in Cost of Living This year

(By Associated Press)

SELECT DELEGATES

Jefferson City, Jan. 30 .- The State

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BASKET BALL GAME SATURDAY

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eral Blaksee.

March 31st.

Washington, Jan. 30 .- Decreased INSPECTS ROUTE Fourth Assistant Postmaster Gen-

mission And Investigates Proposed Road to Gatesville 000 questionaires sent to farmers, he

Chairman Frank Page of the North disquieting and portentous of disas-Carolina Highway Commission ar- trous results. rived in the city Thursday night and met the members of the Pasquotank WOMEN PERMITTED County Highway Commission at the Southern Hotel in conference Friday

After the meeting Mr. Page with members of the County Highway committee has decided that women Commission left the city at about will be permitted to select their own half past ten o'clock to inspect the delegates and have equal represenproposed road to Gatesville. tation with the men in Missouri State -0-Democratic Convention at Joplin on

RAPID PROGRESS

IN GETTING JURY

(By Associated Press)

Grand Rapids, Jan. 20 .- Rapid of the election laws led to the preo'clock thirty-five cents.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN PUEBLA STATE

(By Associated Press)

Thursday afternoon for Hampton, Mexico City, Jan. 30 .- Earthquake Va., where they will attend the funshocks were felt in the vicinity of eral of Mr. Scott's brother, Mr. S. J. Challchioma in Puebla state last Scott, of that place. The funeral will night, according to reports received be held Friday and Mr. and Mrs. Florida, is visiting Rev. H. K. Wil-Scott will return Saturday.

FOR THE BEST CAR SERVICES Miss Rennie Forbes of Shiloh w all Keeney Crank, Phone 192. 1tp in the city shopping Friday.

ly when one of the sailors insulted niversary of her marriage. Before Italy, according to a message to the her marriage she was Miss Mary Louisa Harris and lived in the Fork jured. The soldiers were en route section of this county. She had been

a member of Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church for the past ten or twelve years. Before that time she and Mr. Perry were members of Be-

rea Baptist church near the city. Mrs. Perry was a woman of quiet faithfulness in home and church duties and was deeply loved by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, Mr. John C. Perry; by four daughters. Miss Callie Perry. of this city, Miss Gertrude Perry who has been teaching at Lincolnton, Miss Ver-

neena Perry who has been teaching farm production next year and con- at Louisburg, and Mrs. A. C. Twiford sequent increase in the cost of liv- of this city; and by one son, Lloyd ing due to the dissatisfaction of the Perry, of this city. She is also surfarmers was predicted before the vived by four brothers and one sis-Senate Postoffice Committee today by ter. The sister is Miss Virginia Harris of Fork. The brothers are David

More than 40,000 answers to 200 .ard Harris of Camden; and S. J. and Granbury Harris of Fork. said, indicate that conditions are

regard of a large number of friends in the city and county. The choir sang softly at the ser-

vice "Nearer My God to Thee" and 'Asleep in Jesus."

CARS COLLIDE ON CHURCH AND MAIN

The cars of Dr. J. H. White and W. G. Ferebee were damaged considerably Thursday afternoon when they collided on the corner of Pensse and Main streets. Mrs. Walter Small was driving the car of Dr. White and as she turned into Purse street the High School girls team and the Eden- front wheel of Mr. Ferebee's car ran into the rear wheel of the White car. knocked it off and damaged the fender. The spring opposite the right wheel on Ferebee's car was broken. were injured. A number of cars were on the street at the time and Mr.

nal until it was too late to stop his car and another car going toward the depot kept him from driving to the Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Scott left on left out of the way of the White car

0 VISITING MR. WILLIAMS

Rev. J. A. Ansley of Pensacola, liams on West Main street. He will leave Saturday for Portsmouth to all the pulpit Sunday morning and FOR THE BEST CAR SERVICES evening of Calvary Baptist church.

MICH. DEMOCRATS ASK FOR HOOVER

File Petition With Secretary of State to Place His Name on **Primary Ballot**

(By Associated Press) Lansing, Jan. 30 .- Petitions to lace the name of Herbert Hoover on the Democratic ballot at the Mich-

igan Presidential Preference Primary on April 5th were received by the Secretary of State this morning. The petitions lacked the required one hundred names but indicated that additional signatures would

follow

PROTEST AGAINST **PRO-ZION POLICY**

Pope Receives Memorandum From Arabians Saying Jews three weeks. **Can't Have Palestine**

(By, Associated Press) Rome, Jan. 30 .- The Pope has received a memorandum from the Arablan tribes in Palestine protesting against what is called the "Pro-Zionist policy of Great Britain and For-Minister Balfour's statement report that the Bolshevik Jews have Palestine and declares that the Arabs Turks. will never permit the Zionists to take possession of the country.

CAPTURE ODESSA IS ANNOUNCED

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(By Associated Press)

Vienna, Jan. 30 .- The capture of vice today.

-0-CONTINUES SERIOUSLY ILL.

The little son of Mrs. Frank Williams continues seriously ill with diptheria at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. B. Ehringhaus on Main street.

call Keeney Crank, Phone 192. 11p Saturday in Baltimore.

ARMENIAN DRIVE BEGINS SUNDAY

To Help Orphans Who Are **Facing Starvation Because of** Loyalty to Christian Faith

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 30 .- In response to the appeal for food, and clothing and a chance to live, the people of Pasquotank county have been asked to adopt 33 homeless Armenian orphans who are today facing death in a land where hopeless, natives know nothing but sorrow. Beginning Sunday, February 1, a campaign of relief will be waged, in the county under the direction of W. O. Saunders as chairman of the drive. The campaign will run for

It is not a war fund that the people of this country are being asked to raise. It is only an act for humanity's sake. Nearly 300,000 naked, starving boys and girls are weeping and wailing for a chance to live. They are homeless and parentless. They are suffering because their parents were murdered and that Palestine must be for the Jews." their comforts of home destroyed-The memorandum denounces the yes, all because the Armenians would not discard their Christian faith for been given permission to settle in that of the cruel and barbarous

Under the leadership of State Chairman George H. Bellamy, North Carolina will conduct its campaign for the adoption of 3,334 orphans in the Near East. \$60.00 will provide for one orphan for one year. Prattically every county in the State has been systematically organized for the campaign and indications now point Odessa by Ukranian forces was an- to a successful drive in every counnounced by the Ukranian Press Ser- ty. Some have already raised their quotas. Others are prepared to adopt all their orphans during the first week.

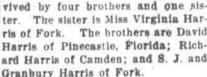
> -0-MISS BLAND IMPROVING News was received from Harold Overman Thursday, stating that Miss Mattle Bland is improving and that there is hope for her recovery. Mr. Overman will stay over until

The game will be called at eight Admission fifteen and twenty-five Come out and boost your home town team and see 'em beat Edenton. S. J. SCOTT DEAD

There will be a basket ball game Saturday night, between the local

cents. Reserved seats will sell for None of the occupants of either car

Ferebee did not see Mrs. Small's, sig-



A profusion of floral offerings and many acts of kindness tendered the family expressed the sympathy and