

THE WEEK'S EVENTS

IMPORTANT NEWS OF STATE, NATION AND THE WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD

ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD

A Condensed Record Of Happenings Of Interest From All Points Of The World

Foreign

The trial for treason of former Field Marshal Ludendorff, Adolph Hitler and other participants in the unsuccessful "putsch" of last November...

Major John Jacob Astor, who vacated his seat under the parliamentary rule that a member shall not vote before taking the oath, intends to pay the fine of 500 pounds prescribed for the offense.

Luxor was gay with flags and bunting in the Egyptian colors and crowded with sightseers and natives and distinguished visitors here for the official reopening of the tomb of Tutankhamen under government supervision.

In a practical effort to check the falling birthrate in France, an apartment house builder at Bordeaux has offered a number of small apartments to poor couples at two-thirds of the normal rent for such flats, on condition they receive regular visits from the stork.

Premier Poincaré's ultimatum to the finance committee of the senate that his cabinet would resign unless the committee approved his fiscal measures, caused the committee to announce it will again have a conference with the premier and minister of finance de Lasteyrie in an attempt to reach an agreement.

It is stated on high authority that the government has decided not to proceed with the Singapore naval base scheme. The decision has been communicated to the dominion governments and the government is awaiting their replies before announcing its decision to parliament.

Two American prelates will be elevated to the cardinalate at a secret consistory to be held March 24. They are Archbishop Hayes, of New York, and Archbishop Mundelein, of Chicago.

President Ebert of Germany, has authorized Chancellor Marx to dissolve the reichstag, according to an agency dispatch received by way of Amsterdam.

The members of the caliph's household left behind on his departure for Switzerland, are penniless and in acute distress, no provision having been made for the eunuchs and members of the harem.

Importation to Canada of live stock from any state of the United States was prohibited by the Canadian government recently as a further protection against the foot and mouth disease.

Major John Jacob Astor voted in the British house of commons before taking oath of office, was fined, and automatically loses his place.

Washington

Increases in the tariff rate on wheat, flour, and wheat products will be ordered by President Coolidge, acting under authority conferred upon him by the flexible provision of the Fordney-McCumber tariff act.

The senate passed by unanimous consent a bill providing for the coinage of five million 50 cent pieces to be known as the Stone Mountain Memorial coins. They will be delivered to the Memorial association in Atlanta when they have been minted.

A movement gained ground in the house to establish the identity of the two representatives charged in the report of a Chicago grand jury with being guilty of bribery.

Charles R. Forbes, former director of the veterans' bureau, pleaded not guilty before a United States commissioner to charges of fraud, conspiracy and bribery handed down by a Chicago grand jury.

Appointment of Representative White, Republican, Maine, as chairman of the special house committee which will investigate the shipping board was announced by Speaker Gillett.

The sensation created by the disclosure of President Coolidge's telegrams to J. M. McLean during the senate oil investigation has started furious speculation as to the political effect on the presidential campaign.

President Coolidge declined to turn over to the oil committee returns of individuals and corporations prominently mentioned in the oil investigation.

Agreement to report a soldier bonus bill was voted, 16 to 3, by the house ways and means committee. The committee began the drafting of the measure recently.

Close friends forecast the early announcement of the engagement of Miss Cornelia Vanderbilt to J. F. A. Cecil, a secretary in the British embassy at Washington.

Theodore E. Burton, president member of the house and former senator from Ohio, is one of those now being considered by President Coolidge for appointment as secretary of the navy.

Standards for turpentine and rosin and regulations for the enforcement of the naval stores act have been adopted and issued by Secretary Wallace.

Twenty million pounds of steel in various shapes and sizes, a part of the navy's surplus supply, will be sold at public auction March 19 at the Mare Island (Calif.) navy yard.

Strenuous opposition greeted the appearance in the senate of the first special farm relief measure—the Norbeck-Burtness bill—proposing the loan of \$75,000,000 to finance diversification.

Another row in the tariff commission has held up delivery to President Coolidge of the commission's report on its wheat inquiry.

A batch of bills favoring light wine and beer—all the way from 2.75 to 4 per cent for beer and 10 per cent for wine—were recently presented in the house as part of a concerted move toward modification of the Volstead act.

Domestic

Isiah Montgomery, negro, former slave of Jefferson Davis, who established the negro town of Mound Bayou, Miss., died there recently, at the age of 77.

Two hundred thousands dollars in damage resulted from a recent fire in the heart of Cape Charles, Va.

Margaret Roe, 38, committed suicide, in the opinion of New Orleans police, by taking poison.

Three persons suffered injuries and many others shaken up when the second section of a northbound Louisville and Nashville passenger train collided with a string of boxcars shoved out on the Mobile, Ala., main line by a Southern railway switch engine during a heavy fog.

The program for the dedication of the monument erected at Janesville, Ill., to the memory of the father and step-mother of Abraham Lincoln, has been announced. The hitherto neglected graves of Thomas and Sarah Bush Lincoln are in the village cemetery at Janesville.

After testifying that her husband had forced her to dig graves, Mrs. Elsie M. Stotter of Sicklerstown, N. J., was granted a total divorce.

It is announced in Omaha, Nebr., that slaughter of cattle by electricity will be started soon.

Admiral Robert E. Coontz, in command of all warships in home waters, has been summoned to Washington to give his views on the oil situation.

Gasoline is selling in Texas at 21 cents a gallon, the highest price in several years in that state.

The Chicago Motor Club says approximately ten million automobile campers hit the trail during the year 1923.

Mrs. Fannie S. Beaumont, widow of Rear Admiral John C. Beaumont, died at Norfolk, Va., age 74 years.

The Pacific limited of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad was derailed at Persia, Iowa, and the engineer killed and a number of passengers slightly injured.

Mrs. Augusta E. Stegson, New York City Christian Scientist, announces that she has spent \$16,000 for advertising space in New York newspapers in a campaign to strike the third stanza from "The Star Spangled Banner."

The other day virtually all of Greater Cleveland's population depended on distilled water for their drinking and cooking supplies, because of the strong taste of phenol and chlorine in the water pumped from Lake Erie.

Plain, old-fashioned profanity from the lips of a husband is not grounds for divorce, according to Judge Owun in Los Angeles, Calif.

The state supreme court of Michigan upheld the state normal school at Ypsilanti for expelling a girl who smoked cigarettes.

Five Glard, Ala., men were given a hearing on charges of theft of sugar and were held under bonds to the Russell county grand jury. It is estimated that nearly ten thousand dollars worth of sugar was stolen.

The Republicans of Louisiana, in a state convention, ordered their delegates to throw their support to Coolidge.

Weather and market reports are to be interpreted in Chicago by farm leaders employed by a large mercantile establishment.

Iowa's delegation to the Republican national convention will go to Cleveland with instructions to support President Calvin Coolidge under an almost unanimous vote of the state delegate convention here.

Morris and Joseph Diamond, brothers, and John Farina and Anthony Pantano, bank messenger murderers, were sentenced recently to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing, N. Y.

Mexican bandits numbering 150 recently crossed the Rio Grande into the United States near Langtry, Texas, stole a large number of horses, cattle and supplies, and fled back into Mexico. Many Americans on the Mexican side are fleeing toward the border.

The author of the ballad known as the "Face on the Barroom Floor," Hugh A. d'Arcy, recently celebrated his 81st birthday in New York.

Federal prohibition agents raided a New Orleans restaurant recently and seized \$7,000 worth of liquors.

CROSSING HARM TO PUBLIC WELFARE

THE SUPREME COURT HANDS DOWN MOST FAR REACHING OPINIONS.

RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE

Tobacco Co-operatives Win Out In Several Cases Before Highest Tribunal.

Raleigh. The toll of life and injury to citizens using their own public roads by collision with high-powered, fast-moving engines owned and operated for private gain is a serious detriment to the public weifare and convenience. Chief Justice Walter Clark set forth in an opinion handed down by the supreme court granting a new trial to the victim of a grade crossing accident.

In crossing a railroad track on the same grade as the highway the "rights of the public are subordinate to the railroads, but co-ordinate with the prior right of the public to use their own highways, each having its duties and each bound to observe the requirements," the chief justice declared.

The opinion took note of a recent bulletin of the state highway commission, stating that of the 288 grade crossings which formerly existed there now remain only 180 over 6,053 miles of road and that of 22 of these will be eliminated by construction now under way. The chief justice-denoted gratification at this progress, and he commented further, "In many of our states, and almost altogether in foreign countries, any grade crossing of the public roads by a railroad is absolutely forbidden." In this state the grade crossing must some day "Be finally and totally eliminated in the interest of the public."

The case with which the opinion dealt was the appeal of Mrs. Mary C. Williams from Vance county superior court's judgment in favor of the Seaboard Air Line in her suit for damages as the result of injuries sustained in a grade crossing accident. One person was killed and she and the driver injured when an automobile was struck by a fast moving train on the Seaboard main line between Henderson and Franklin.

Chief Justice Clark reversed the judgment of the lower court and ordered a new trial for Mrs. Williams. He found error in the court's refusal to allow Mrs. Williams to testify as to whether she could have heard the engine bell and if she was engaged in anything that would have distracted her attention. The plaintiff claimed the whistle and bell were not used to warn the approach of the train.

The tobacco co-operative came out victor in three suits on appeal before the supreme court which were decided in one of the suits, Z. H. Pittman, a prominent merchant and farmer of Pitt county, sought to invalidate his contract with the "coops," claiming he had been induced to sign it by false and fraudulent representations. The court sustained the lower court, holding that plaintiff had not signed as the result of fraudulent representations. In the other two suits against J. L. Bland, of Craven county, and Pete Spikes, of Craven, the court continued restraining orders prohibiting them from disposing of their 1923 tobacco crops, which they had contracted to deliver to the co-operative.

The list of opinions follows: Capoon vs. Everton, Tyrell, new trial.

Harvey vs. Brown, et al, Pasquotank, affirmed.

Cobb, admr., vs. Fountain, admr., Edgecombe, affirmed.

Cherry vs. Hodges, Washington, no error.

Williams vs. S. A. L. Railway, new trial.

Adams vs. Angier Bank and Trust company, Harnett, affirmed.

Erlly and Daniels vs. Flour mills, Bertie, no error.

Perfect Record For Seven Towns.

Seven towns, all of them small municipalities, were included on the honor roll of the State Insurance Department for no fires and no fire damage during each of the twelve months of 1923, according to a list made public by Commissioner Stacey W. Wade.

There is a goodly number of towns on each of the lists, ranging from one to twelve months on the honor roll, with the list for one month being by far the largest. Greensboro and High Point were included one month, while none of the other largest cities in the State is included at all.

New Corporations.

The Woman's Club of Waynesville, Inc., Waynesville, non-stock; incorporators Mrs. Mollie Toncray Shoobred, Mrs. Hassie Brown Killian, Mrs. Pearl Marshall Howell, Mrs. Narion Wilton Allen, Miss Josephine Macon Thomas, Misses Bessie and Daisy Boyd and Miss Georgia Miller, and others, all of Waynesville.

Carolina Drug and Chemical Company, Charlotte, with authorized capital \$250,000 with \$300 to begin business; subscribed by P. C. Whitbeck, H. C. Dockery and Gate Berry.

Fire Loss Shows Reduction.

Although reports to Stacey W. Wade, Insurance Commissioner, indicate the largest number of fires in January ever reported for one month, the loss was \$200,000 under that of January, 1923, according to statistics made public by the commissioner. The loss for the pation as was stated, increased by \$7,000,000 in a comparison of the same months.

There wer 276 fires in January, 1924, against 203 for January, 1923. The value of property at risk was \$3,378,830; insurance involved, \$2,720,980. In January, 1923, the value at risk was \$3,878,875 and the insurance \$2,382,356.

There were 26 fires in which the loss was \$5,900 and more per fire. The aggregate of these is \$553,350, leaving as the total of the entire other 150 fires, \$115,203.

The dwelling fires reached 166, with loss of \$271,224, value \$970,550 with insurance at risk of \$556,450. The dwelling totals are abnormal owing to the burning of a single residence in course of construction at Belmont, where the loss was \$125,000.

Carelessness with stoves, unusual fires, and frozen pipes during the short cold snap in January, account for many dwelling fires. The list of principal causes for the month shows: Shingle roofs and defective flues, 86; unknown, 66; oil stoves, 15; overhot stove or furnace, 14; thawing pipes, 14; carelessness, 10; and five each from burning trash, child and match, adjoining building.

The principal classes of property damaged or destroyed are given as dwellings, 166; stores, 18; warehouses, 13; factories, 8; business, 8; garages, 7; railroad buildings and cars, 6; churches, 5; schools, 5; barns, 5; hotels, 3.

No fires during January were reported from Kinston, Tryon, Elkin, Apex, Spring Hope, Mooresville, Carthage, Pilot Mountain, Benson, Elm City, Stanley, Hockingham, Brevard, Kannapolis, Cherryville, Ansonville, Forest City, Littleton, Huntersville, Marion, Bakersville and counties of Randolph and Ashe.

Kilgore Makes Annual Report.

The program of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service has been worked out on a co-operative basis between the farmer and the agent in 811 communities, according to the ninth annual report for the year ended June 30, 1923, and which also covers the period up to December, 1923, which has been prepared by Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director of the extension service of State College and of the State Department of Agric.ture. "The home demonstration agents," the report states, "have secured these results in 936 communities. There were 71 counties in which farm agents were employed last year and 54 counties in which there were employed women agents. Seven other counties are ready for farm agents to be supplied as soon as funds are available, and three counties are awaiting the appointment of home agents," the report states.

The report also shows that the farm agents have made 59,486 visits to 28,437 farms and that they have visited in the homes of more than 14,000 farmers and that nearly 100,000 calls have been made at the offices of the extension service. It was pointed out that 6,531 communities have participated in the work this year while 3,825 meetings have been held at demonstrations at which more than 120,000 persons attended.

The results of the "Live-At-Home" campaign started last spring show much improvement on the farms in a material and social way. Women of the farms are beginning to lighten their burdens to some extent by the use of many modern household conveniences. Conditions among the negroes was also reported to be greatly improved and the service reaffirmed its intention of continual service to the negro farmer. The service feels, says the report, that in a large measure, the conservative program urged by it and the curb markets establishment have had a great deal to do with the success of the farmer and the brightening of rural life.

Some of the features of the extension work are given as the development of new money crops in the mountain regions; growing of cotton under the boll weevil conditions; demonstration of soil improvements; the use of lime; and special work with the tobacco farmers.

The canning industry and the clothing question have received the attention of the service during the past year. In 45 counties with 3,852 women and 5,175 girls complete programs have been worked out. The report also states that the work on the movement for the farm beautiful in house and grounds is making progress.

New Corporations.

Simpson-Peacock Co., Salisbury, wholesale grocery business with authorized capital \$100,000 and subscribed \$30,000 by T. T. Simpson, S. C. and P. N. Peacock, all of Salisbury.

Gilley Motor Co., Maiden, with authorized capital \$50,000 and subscribed \$10,000 by J. H. and Era H. Gilley, and S. D. Manney, all of Maiden.

Wright's Cafe, Inc., Raleigh, with authorized capital stock \$25,000 and \$3,000 subscribed by C. B. Martha V. and Carson D. Barbour, all of Raleigh.



Is Your Back Giving Out?

ARE you miserable with an aching back? Do you get up lame and stiff—lag through the day, tired, weak and worn out? Do you wonder why you are so run down? Many times this condition is due to weak kidneys. Winter's colds and chills are hard on the kidneys. The kidneys are apt to slow up in their work of filtering body-poisons from the blood. These poisons accumulate. Then comes backache, with rheumatic pains, headaches, dizziness and kidney irregularities.

Don't risk serious kidney trouble! Use Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys. Doan's have helped thousands. They are recommended by many grateful people. Ask your neighbor!

"Use Doan's," Say These Good Folks:

Mrs. L. B. Price, 511 S. Lafayette St., Shelby, N. C., says: "I had kidney trouble so badly I could hardly keep going and my back ached and pained dreadfully and I couldn't even rest at night. When I did my washing it felt as if my back were broken. My kidneys acted irregularly. I used Doan's Pills and they gave me relief from the backache and put my kidneys in good order."

Doan's Pills Stimulant Diuretic to the Kidneys

At all dealers, 60c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfg. Chemists, Buffalo, N. Y.

Who Was Caliban?

In Shakespeare's "Tempest" Caliban is a savage, deformed slave—half beast, half man—in the service of Prospero, the magician. He was the offspring of Sycorax, a foul hag banished from Argier (or Algiers) to the enchanted island, afterwards inhabited by Prospero. The word Caliban is sometimes used to denote anything new or strange. The allusion is, of course, to Caliban, in the Tempest, a character in which Shakespeare, has blended qualities both hideous and repulsive.

Pastor Offers Prizes

When it comes to church advertising, as advocated by modern religious leaders, the country parish is not to be outdone by its big city brother, judging from an announcement by Rev. J. W. Carnie, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in Nev., a village of 800 persons, on the northern edge of DeLancey county, Ohio. A prize will be given every Sunday night to the largest family in attendance, the minister has announced. During the revival services about to start a prize will be awarded to the young persons writing the best essay on any sermon of the pastor's series the writer may select. A committee of judges will examine the essays, and the winner, in addition to the prize, will be privileged to read his essay from the pulpit on the concluding night of the revival.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Much Depends on Husband

If all depends on what kind of a husband a girl gets, whether he wants her to perform on the piano or the cook stove. Laughing at ridiculous propositions at first would save fighting over them later. When we have known better times, we are all "reactionary."

Let 'Company Manners' Reign

It may be odd to let "company manners" reign for two or three hours after the company is gone.

Advertisement for Fletcher's Castoria featuring an illustration of a baby and the text: 'Fletcher's CASTORIA MOTHER:- Fletcher's Castoria is a pleasant, harmless Substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Teething Drops and Soothing Syrups, prepared for Infants in arms and Children all ages.'

To avoid imitations, always look for the signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher. Proven directions on each package. Physicians everywhere recommend it.

Advertisement for Smith Brothers S.B. COUGH DROPS MENTHOL. Text: 'Two pleasant ways to relieve a cough. Take your choice and suit your taste. S-B or Menthol flavor. A sure relief for coughs, colds and hoarseness. Put one in your mouth at bedtime. Always keep a box on hand. SMITH BROTHERS S.B. COUGH DROPS MENTHOL Famous since 1847.'