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From ALLEGHANY

We are having some hot weather at this place. Little Durward H. Chandley has been very ill, but is improving. The people of this place are very busy hoeing corn. Mr. Banner Chandley spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George Shelton of Revere. Miss Mamie Hensley spent Saturday night with her aunt, Sange Ann Shelton. We were all sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Neal Admas of Revere. We want to extend our sympathy to Mr. Adams and family. Mr. Howard Chandley conducted prayer service at Carmen on Sunday, May 24. Little Miss Mildred Chandley spent the day Sunday with

her friend, Pansy Shelton. Mr. Lloyd Ramsey motored up on Laurel Friday, returning Saturday. Messrs. Sampson Landers, Jeter C. Franklin, Misses Merle and Ruth Stanton were out riding Saturday afternoon. Miss Grace Hensley spent the week-end with her cousin, Tulis Chandley. They had a fine time. Mr. Walter S. Hensley, who is at work in Asheville, motored home Saturday and spent the night with home folks, returning to Asheville Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Howard Chandley visited Mrs. Sol Shelton, who has been sick, last week. Mr. Fred Shelton is the proud owner of a new pair of overalls. Best wishes to News-Record.

IMPORTANT NEWS THE WORLD OVER

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THIS AND OTHER NATIONS FOR SEVEN DAYS GIVEN

THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH

What is Taking Place in The South-land Will Be Found in Brief Paragraphs

Foreign—

Two steamships and eleven schooners, members of the liquor fleet which put into Canadian ports after establishment of the United States coast guard blockade, have departed from Halifax and Lunenburg and are sailing for St. Pierre and southern ports, including Havana, Nassau and Bermuda.

Sir William Fletcher Barrett, 81, scholar and scientist, died at London the other day.

"In your comfortable hotel we forgot that von Hindenburg had been made president of Germany"—this note on a Milan, Italy, hotel register lost William Jaenicke, son-in-law of the late President Ebert, his job.

Difference of opinion has developed in the arms conference at Geneva over which and how many states must ratify the convention before it can become effective.

Fire destroyed the city hall in Quedos de Guines, about fifty miles from Havana.

Sixteen men, all of the crew of the motorship Wakema, which burned off Nanaimo, B. C., were picked up by the tug Bella and taken to Nanaimo. The Wakema's men escaped in life boats.

Queen Marie of Roumania has just completed a series of newspaper articles, the first of which will be published in England and America within a short time. It is observed that she remarks in one of the series that she does not care for men too tame.

A stormy debate on France's Morocco campaign, featured by Socialist charges of imperialism and demands that peace negotiations open at once, culminated in an extraordinary demonstration of enthusiasm for former Premier Herriot of France.

The first and only portrait of Michelangelo ever painted of himself has been discovered in the artist's greatest mural masterpiece, where it has been hidden for centuries.

Three of the leaders in the recent bombing of the Sveti Kral cathedral, Sofia, Bulgaria, in which 160 persons were killed, have been hanged. They were executed in a public square in the presence of thousands of persons.

Ernest Berger, treasurer of the newspaper L'Action Francaise, Paris, fell a victim of a mad woman's bullet intended for one of his chiefs, Leon Daudet, leader of the Royalist association and editor of L'Action Francaise, or Charles Maurras, co-editor.

The Bulgarian government has ordered demobilization of the first three thousand men recently enlisted with the permission of the allies to meet the crisis arising from the country's internal problems. Demobilization of the remaining 10,000 extra troops depends upon the allies' reply to Bulgaria's request for permission to retain them longer. This permission is not expected to be forthcoming.

Washington—

The shipping has taken a step toward weeding out obsolete vessels and placing its fleet on a more compact basis, adopting a resolution recommended by its scrapping committee, specifying that 200 designated ships should be advertised for sale as scrap.

The federal grand jury investigating naval oil leases called more witnesses from the Southwest. Henry L. Phillips, president of the Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing syndicate of Tulsa, Okla., was the first to be heard. George D. Flory of the State National Bank of El Paso, Texas; A. D. Brownfield of Corissa, N. M., and J. W. Zevoriv, counsel for Harry F. Sinclair, were among others called.

O. P. Van Sweringen of Cleveland, prime mover in the Nickel Plate consolidation project, placidly recounted before the interstate commerce commission the procedure by which he and his brother, buying stocks, borrowing money, winning associates, had, in nine years, prepared themselves to lead the first attempt to combine trunk line railroads in eastern territory.

Bert E. Hagan, Democrat, of Portland, Oregon, has been reappointed a member of the shipping board by President Coolidge.

Proposals of Park and Tilford to sell to the government at cost the 1,900,000 gallons of old Overholt whiskey which the concern has just purchased would be accepted if some prohibition officials had their way because they believe that government dispensaries for medicinal whiskey would provide the best method of control.

President Coolidge does not think the United States should become a party to the present discussion among European nations, directed toward negotiation of a security pact.

Anticipated of the operations of the dry fleet to the west coast and the northern lake frontage and then a converging movement upon liquor law violators up the inland rivers, is planned by prohibition officials.

The recommendation that the minimum specifications for a standard patch for compressed cotton bales should be 28 by 48 inches and weigh between two and two and one-half pounds was made by the tare committee of the American Cotton Shippers association.

Domestic—

Between eight and twelve men in automobiles besieged the town of Brook, Ind., home of George Ade, humorist, blew open the vault of the State bank, and escaped with approximately \$2,500.

Clem Shaver, chairman of the Democratic national committee, said at the Waldorf, in New York City, that he has no intention of resigning his position at this time.

First sessions of the board of inquiry appointed to investigate the sinking of the United States steamer Norman in the Mississippi river near Memphis on May 8, with a loss of 28 lives, has begun.

Mining men are looking forward to the time when the coal bill of the United States will be reduced \$500,000,000 by the perfection of devices for mining coal with machinery.

One of the robbers who held up the Cottage Grove State bank at Des Moines, Iowa, was killed and another wounded when pursuing Iowa officers engaged them in a gun fight at Avenue City, a suburb of St. Joseph, Mo.

The Terminal building, Toledo's (Ohio) largest auditorium was recently damaged by a \$200,000 fire.

Charged with being a party to an alleged fraudulent ranch unit settling scheme which was said to have netted more than \$200,000, Millard C. Baker, real estate dealer of New Orleans, has been arrested in that city by postoffice inspectors and placed under a \$3,000 bond to answer an indictment at Denver, Colo.

Williamene Wilkes, 37, one of the best known women stage directors of the country, died at Los Angeles recently following the birth of her second child.

Clarence Darrow, Chicago lawyer, stands ready to aid the defense of J. T. Scopes of Dayton, Tenn., who has been indicted on the charge of violating the Tennessee anti-evolution law.

A definite break in the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America is imminent, modernists in the denomination's general assembly in session at Columbus, Ohio, declare.

Five robbers held up a loan bank in the heart of the downtown district of Chicago, overpowered three employees and escaped with diamonds and jewelry estimated at between fifty thousand and one hundred thousand dollars in value. The quintette bound the employees and practically cleaned out the stock of diamonds.

Following an investigation into alleged graft among federal and police officers, Police Lieutenant William J. Labor of headquarters; Louis C. Russell, federal dry agent, and Harry L. Atchley, said to be a salesman, were arrested on charges of conspiracy to violate the prohibition act and extortion in Rochester, N. Y.

W. B. Warren and H. M. Richardson, charged with using the mails to defraud a Memphis, Tenn., concern, have been ordered released from custody by the federal court here for lack of evidence. The men were charged with being involved in a conspiracy to obtain sums of money on padded drafts in the sale of logs.

The Elk Hills naval oil reserves were obtained by E. L. Doheny's Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company by fraud and conspiracy and must be returned to the government, that is the decision handed down by Judge Paul J. McCormick at Los Angeles, Calif., ordering the return of the vast oil properties after holding that the Doheny companies were not lawfully entitled to develop them.

Lieut. Roland D. Hill, Jr., was found guilty by a court-martial at Norfolk, Va., on two charges and was acquitted of another charge growing out of the finding of liquor aboard the naval transport Beaufort.

Business interests of Kansas City, Mo., oppose the least of the Alabama and Vicksburg and Vicksburg, Shreveport and Pacific railroads by the Illinois Central system.

One hundred and thirty persons, eleven of them women, were tried at Fairmont, W. Va., before Judge W. S. Meredith. One hundred and sixteen men were found guilty of violating an injunction which prohibited intimidation of employees of the New England Fuel and Transportation company and were fined \$1 and costs. The women were found not guilty.

William F. Edwards, 45, motorman, was burned to death in sight of rescuers, another motorman was seriously injured and almost a score of passengers hurt when two interurban cars collided and partly telescoped each other on a 25-foot high trestle near Louisville, Ky., the other night.

The so-called oleomargarine bill enacted by the recent California legislature, which provides for a tax of two cents per pound upon cotton seed oil products, in addition to the present license fee, has been signed by the governor.

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(BY MRS. J. P. CALDWELL)

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"Twenty-four million dollars were used in Armenia and other large amounts in Turkey, Syria, Palestine, and Greece. Last year more than a million Americans contributed four million dollars to the work. An interesting feature of the work is some of the accomplishments of the orphan farmers at the Agricultural School maintained by Near East Relief in Russian Armenia. They use American methods and are taught scientific methods of farming. These orphan boys have grown as much as four hundred bush-

els to the acre on their potato farm. Besides teaching them a vocation by which they can later support themselves, the food raised helps materially to feed the orphans.

One of the main features of the work now consists in finding homes for the orphan children. Last year twelve thousand were thus placed.

Time alone can tell the great work accomplished by helping these distressed children. They are being taught useful trades and are learning Christian American ideals. No better missionary money can be spent than in helping to thus train these bright, apt pupils.

Owing to the scarcity of funds, the great effort has been to feed and clothe these children, but much other work has been done.

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From Anderson Branch

We are still having Sunday School at Anderson Branch and have a large attendance. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Moody Davis a bouncing girl baby. Mrs. Matilda Goforth has been quite sick for the past few weeks. She is about 90 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Payne and son, Arthur, and Miss Zilpha Randall and Mrs. Jonah Massy went to Pine Creek Saturday to register. Miss Ethel Davis and nephew Buster Laws was seen on the streets of Barnard Saturday. Miss Bonnie Davis has spent the last few days with her brother, Moody Davis. Mr. J. P. Davis has been quite sick for the last few days. Miss Bonnie Davis is the proud owner of a nice birthday present. Mrs. Jeter Harris and daughters, Helen and Margie, visited Mrs. Matilda Goforth Saturday afternoon.

From Bailey Branch

Mrs. James, who has been ill so long, is reported to be worse at this writing. Mrs. Abitha Bradburn's little son, Hugh, is getting along nicely and will be home right away. Miss Ruby Wilson is spending a short time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caney Wilson. Miss Wilson graduated at the Asheville Normal this year and will attend summer school at the Normal. Mr. Howell Swan, of Weaver, and family visited relatives Sunday. Mr. Arthur Wise and family visited relatives Sunday.

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