

## GAS GONE, PATHFINDER LANDS NORTHERN SPAIN

### Having Broken Endurance Record, Plane is Still Up

CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, AVIATORS SET NEW RECORD FUELING RECORD AT 2:30 PACIFIC COAST TIME YESTERDAY—STILL IN GOOD CONDITION

CULVER CITY, Calif., July 9.—Two commercial aviators, L. W. Mendell and R. B. Reinhart set a new world's endurance flight record here today with their single motored biplane "Angel" and continued to pilot the ship with no indication of a landing. At 2:30 p. m. Pacific Coast time, they bettered by an hour the record of 174 hours and 50 seconds established last Saturday at Cleveland by Roy L. Mitchell and Byron H. Newcomb. Apparently not satisfied with beating the former record by a

mere hour, the plane was refueled and continued its flight late today with the men in excellent spirits and the plane apparently in good condition. When they took off the aviators planned to fly at least 200 hours or until they were forced down. When the record was beaten the men flew over the airport here and were cheered wildly by the crowd below. Mendell stuck his head out and grinned through his whiskers and Reinhart came out on the fuselage and waved and shouted something unintelligible.

### BUILDING NOW USED BY MANY

Annual Report Shows 50,000 Used Memorial Building During Past Year

Approximately 50,000 persons visited the Wayne County Memorial Community building during the year ending Monday, July 1, according to the report made to the county commissioners, in session here yesterday by R. C. Robinson, director of the community building activities. Twenty-nine organizations used the building during the year, and 124 meetings were held during the twelve month period.

Among the outstanding events, which were responsible for a large percentage of the 49,623 people in attendance at the building during the past year, were boxing bouts, basketball games, plays, entertainments and fiddler's conventions. There were 111 basketball games played and two boxing shows held in the community building gym during the year.

Of the 124 meetings held at the building during the year, 57 were held by county groups outside the city. Seven of the eight basketball teams competing in the county league during the past fall and winter were from county communities, and a large percent of those participating in and attending the fiddler's conventions were from the rural districts of the county.

The curb market, which is now being held in the community building, also drew a number of people during last few days of the fiscal year, and the play-o-graph, over which out-of-town baseball games played by the Goldsboro Manufacturers are received, has added considerably to the attendance at the building.

The month of February saw the largest attendance recorded in any single month during the year, according to Mr. Robinson's report. During that month 8,293 people attended the various meetings, entertainments and other activities at the building. The large number of basketball games played in February was ascribed by Mr. Robinson as the reason for the larger attendance during the shortest month of the year.

### FIND BODY OF DR. A. W. BELL

Physician Drowned Shortly After Bank He Headed Was Closed

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 9.—(AP)—The body of Dr. A. W. Bell, president of the closed Woodlawn Savings Bank, was found early tonight caught in an abandoned fish trap on the Coosa River about ten miles below the point where he was drowned late Saturday morning.

Dr. Bell was drowned about an hour after the Woodlawn bank was closed.

He had been in swimming with two tenants on his farm near Vincent, Ala., at the time.

The two tenants reported that Dr. Bell called for help but that he went down before they could reach him.

## TO RETAIN POULTRY AGENT AND PATROL

### WILLIAMS AND YANCEY STRIKE WINDS AND FOG

Will Continue Flight to Rome As Soon as Plane Can Be Refueled

Flew 3,400 Miles in About 31 Hrs.

Rome Plans to Give Them Rousing Reception Upon Their Arrival There

SANTANDER, Spain, July 9.—(AP)—Roger O. Williams and Captain Lewis Yancey, forced down today after a transatlantic air voyage of 3,400 miles from Old Orchard, Me., spent on their lazeis here tonight before completing their flight to Rome tomorrow morning in their airplane Pathfinder.

Lack of gasoline forced them down as night was falling over the northern Spanish coast, not far from the very spot where their French comrades of the Yellow Bird had been obliged to land.

They did not seem fatigued when the Associated Press correspondent found them drinking a glass of whiskey with Governor General Saliquet. Williams and Yancey said they had realized a few hours after leaving Old Orchard they could not reach Rome after they met head winds.

During their flight since they left Old Orchard at 7:49 a. m. yesterday, they had to weather one storm and flew above heavy fogs that veiled the sea from them nearly all the time.

Their 500-gallons of gasoline were completely exhausted by the unforeseen struggle against head winds.

Williams and Yancey said their flight had been "magnificent" despite the fog.

"We flew 31.5 hours, encountering low fogs, which cut us off from the sight of the sea. For only two hours were we free from the fog and able to see the ocean.

"We didn't sight any ships. Near Cape Ortegal we saw land for the first time and we very glad, but we continued the flight, wishing to go as far as our gasoline would take us.

"Having drained our supply we tried a landing which we made successfully at 9:30 p. m. We flew about 3,400 miles.

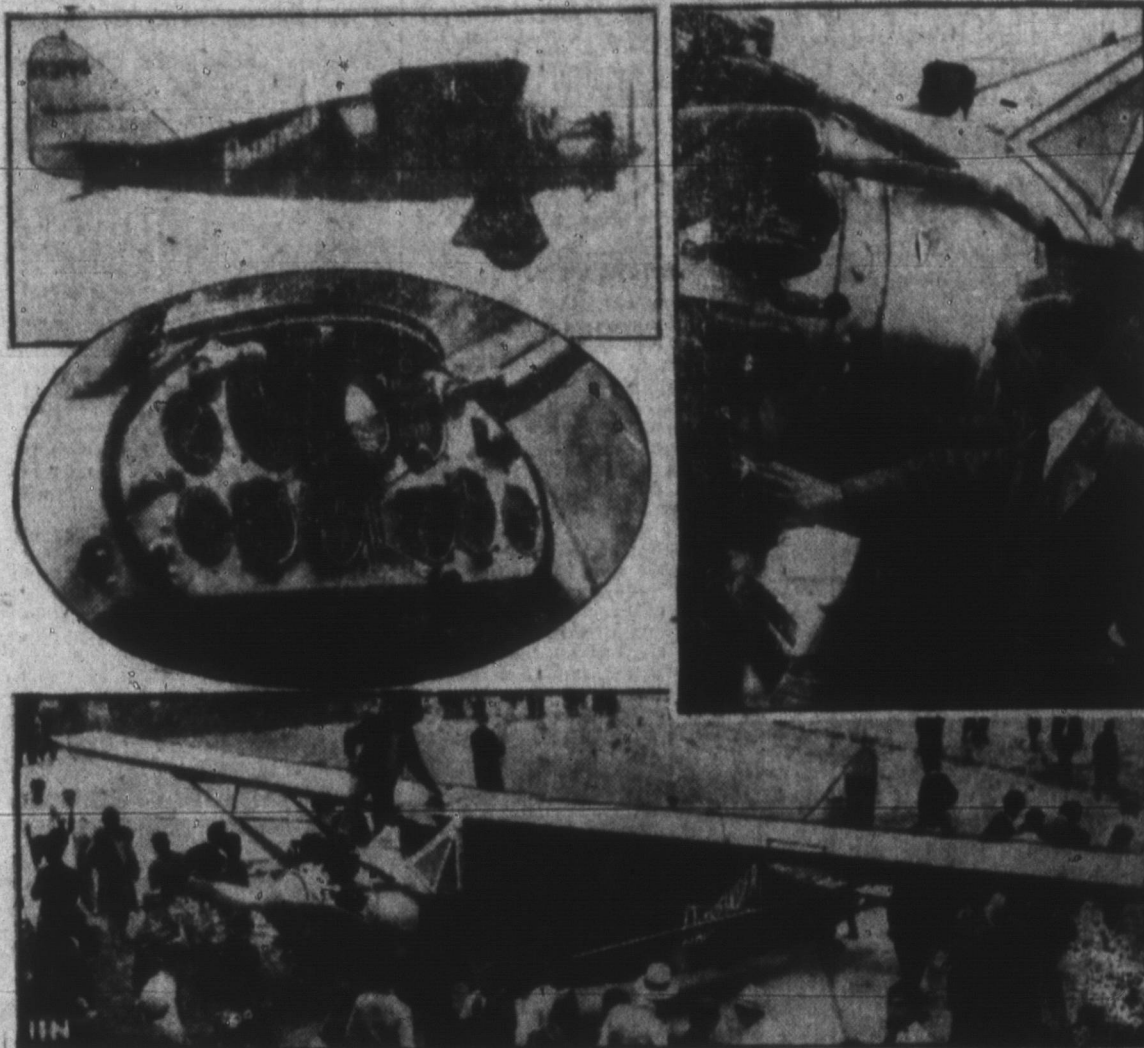
Williams and Yancey explained they had been well prepared for the flight and it was not physical fatigue which prevented them from reaching Rome.

ROME, July 9.—(AP)—Keen disappointment was felt tonight in official circles, and among the populace of Rome over news that Roger Williams and Captain Lewis Yancey had been forced down near Santander, Spain, in their plane Pathfinder.

The disappointment, however, was tempered with satisfaction that the American fliers had actually crossed the Atlantic and done as well as the French crew of the Yellow Bird.

Williams and Yancey will have just as rousing a welcome in Rome when they do arrive as though they had made the nonstop flight direct to the city.

### PATHFINDER LANDS IN SPAIN



The plane "Pathfinder," in which Roger Williams and Lewis A. Yancey, sought to fly from Old Orchard, Me., to Rome, Italy, was forced down near Santander, Spain, last night, for lack of fuel. Top left shows the "Pathfinder" in flight; right, Roger Williams looks over the motor on which they depended for success. Left, center, is the instrument board by which the fliers found their route over the Atlantic Ocean; below is the Pathfinder on the beach at Old Orchard, Me., from which the takeoff was made.

### Rate King Found Guilty Murder in First Degree

CHESTER, S. C., July 9.—(AP)—A jury in general sessions court late today found Rafe F. King, 37, charged with the slaying of his wife, guilty of first degree murder. The defendant, member of a wealthy and prominent, Shelby, N. C., family, accepted the verdict smilingly and gave notice of appeal. Judge Henry, presiding, announced would hear arguments on a motion for a new trial tomorrow morning at 9:30 and if a new trial should be denied would pass sentence at that time.

Three ballots were taken by the jury. After a discussion of the case all agreed he was guilty, but eight voted for a first degree verdict and four for a second degree verdict. The second ballot had 16 for first degree and two for second. On the third ballot it was unanimous.

The decision was reached at 6 o'clock and at 6:05 the knock came on the jury door. Judge Henry, a few minutes before, had started home and had to be called back. The court waited until 6:25 for Miles Wood, court stenographer who had gone home.

The verdict was handed in an envelope to the clerk of court who read it. There was no demonstration in the crowded courtroom. King's face did not change and he had on it a (Continued on page 6)

### BOWMAN TO BE DUPLIN SUPT.

B. C. Sisk Resigns School Place in Duplin to Go With Rand-McNally Co.

B. C. Sisk, for the past several years superintendent of instruction in Duplin county, has resigned his position and E. C. Bowman, for several years superintendent of the Mt. Olive graded schools, has been named to fill the vacancy. The News learned yesterday.

Acceptance of the resignation of Mr. Sisk and the election of Mr. Bowman was made by the Duplin County board of education in session at Kenansville on Monday. Mr. Sisk resigns from the superintendency to accept a position with the Rand-McNally Company of Chicago, in charge of its activities in North Carolina. Mr. Sisk will continue to make Warsaw his home for the next year. It was learned.

### G. W. MITCHELL BURIED TUES.

Fork Township Man Dies at Home After Illness of Two Months

Funeral services for G. W. Mitchell, 67, who died at the home of his son, Lester Mitchell, in Fork township Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. H. Brown, in charge of the Goldsboro Methodist church circuit, officiated. Interment was made in the family burying ground near his home.

Mr. Mitchell's wife had been dead for several years. The deceased was highly esteemed by everyone in the community in which he lived. He was a farmer by occupation until he was taken with the fatal illness. He is survived by the following children: Three sons, Edmond, Lester and Winston, and four daughters, Misses Minnie and Rachel Mitchell, Mrs. Eula Gay, of Selma, and Mrs. Roxie Collins, of Nashville, N. C.

BOOZE RECEIPTS WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—A drastic lowering in the exportation of alcoholic beverages from Canada to the United States through the port of Windsor last month as compared to June 1928, was announced today by the treasury which figured a decrease of 257,156 gallons.

### Claims Gardner Set A World's Record

"I believe that Buck Gardner has set a world's record," said Sheriff W. D. Grant yesterday. "You know on one Sunday afternoon he brought in two drunken automobile drivers at one time and both of them were one-legged men. He had taken both of them from behind their steering wheels. After he locked them up, it wasn't another hour until he was back with another drunk taken while driving an automobile. This man, though, wasn't one-legged."

### 52 Scouts Camping At Tuscarora Now

Boy Scouts, numbering 52, from Smithfield, Goldsboro and Weldon, are in camp at Camp Tuscarora this week, and had yesterday settled down to enjoying the many features of camp life so dear to the heart of every boy. A number of boys, who were in camp last week, are spending their second week at Tuscarora, but the majority of the scouts at the camp this week arrived Monday for the first time this year.

A total number of 23 merit badge tests were passed at the Court of Honor held in camp Saturday of last week. Sidney Meyers, of Goldsboro troop number two, was created an Eagle Scout, having passed the required number of merit badges while he was in camp.

### Believe Chicken Stealing Campaign Has Been Ended

E. P. Thompson, young white man who at first declared he was from Suffolk, Va., and later said he was from Tarboro, was yesterday bound to county court under \$300 bond in two charges of chicken stealing and under \$500 for stealing a mule. He was given a preliminary hearing before E. C. Batts in Fremont after he had been arrested in Goldsboro upon information supplied by Chief of Police S. B. Dorsey of Fremont. Wayne officers believe that in the arrest of Thompson, they have broken up an organized chicken-stealing campaign which has been in progress in Wayne and Wilson counties for the past several weeks. It was estimated that farmers have lost chickens valued at more than \$1,000 in the time that the thief or thieves has been active. Jim B. Aycock of near Fremont was aroused at his home near Fremont early Sunday morning by the sound of the squeaking brakes of an automobile. Going outside, he found a Studebaker touring car in his yard, but at first could not see anyone about it. He took off the distributor of the car so that it could not be driven away, and procuring a flashlight went searching for the one who had driven the machine up. He found a man, later identified as Thompson, hiding in weeds near the house, but he escaped by running. Thompson made his way to the home of Oscar Hooks, also near Fremont. (Continued on page 6)

### COUNTY BOARD ACTS AT MEET HELD TUESDAY

Vote to Retain Motorcycle Deputies Is Carried Unanimously

TWO OPPOSE RETENTION OF A POULTRY AGENT

To Use Money From Special Gas Tax For Debt Service of County

The appropriations to continue the Wayne county motorcycle officers and to continue the services of an assistant county agent in charge of poultry work were approved by the county board of commissioners in special session yesterday. The board also "purged" the jury list, and made preliminary consideration of the general county budget.

The vote to retain the two motorcycle officers was unanimous. The News learned, while two members of the board voted against retaining the services of an assistant county agent, Deems H. Pate and Nathan Berger voted to retain the assistant agent and J. H. Denning and Mr. Murvin voted against the proposition. L. A. Rainey, chairman of the board, carried the matter by voting for it. Work of the commissioners on the general county budget reached such a stage that it was expected that the budget would be officially adopted at another meeting next week. The tax rate, the News learned "will be about the same" as that of the past year.

At its meeting yesterday the board decided that the \$43,500 which Wayne county will receive from the one-cent a gallon gasoline tax authorized by the last Legislature shall be applied to the debt service fund, to pay interest and take care of the sinking fund on bonds and notes outstanding for highway work.

The jury box, from which the names of those for jury and grand jury are drawn was brought up to date, a new series of names being deposited.

### FAMILY IS IN DIRECT NEED

Appeal For Aid of Family of 8 That Has No Stove And Only One Bed

One of the most pitiful cases of abject poverty and absolute helplessness reported here in several months was yesterday brought to light by officials of the Wayne county welfare department. In a tiny, squalid house in a certain section of the city there is living a family of eight persons, a mother who is hopelessly ill, and her seven children.

There is only one bed for this family of eight, and the sick mother lies and suffers on this. There are no other mattresses or other bedding for the children. These people have no stove of any description, according to the report, and must cook their food in the open fireplace. There is only one cooking utensil and this must serve for everything. Chairs and other articles of furniture are also lacking.

No provisions for purchase of furniture, bedding and like articles, were made in the appropriations of the Welfare Department or the Community Chest. The News was told. "We will appreciate donations of cooking utensils, extra bedding and beds or cots in order that we may relieve the deplorable condition of these unfortunate to some extent," an official of the Welfare Department declared yesterday.

### THREE DEATH CERTIFICATES SAID TO BE ILLEGAL

MONROE, N. C., July 8.—(AP)—Dr. George C. Pruitt, Monroe physician charged with complicity in fraudulent death claims filed by R. A. Stokes, former agent for the Imperial Life Insurance company, of Asheville, was found guilty in recorder's court here of signing three death certificates without examination of the patient. He was declared not guilty in one, and two others are yet to be passed on.