

WILL GO THE LIMIT OF THE LAW AGAINST VIOLATORS

All Persons Guilty of Violating Prohibition Enforcement Will Be Prosecuted to Fullest Extent of Law, So Commissioner Roper Reports.

(By The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Feb. 28—All persons found violating the federal prohibition enforcement act will be proceeded against to the "limit of the law" irrespective of any state statutes legalizing the sale of liquor...

DANIEL C. ROPER RESIGNS MARCH 15

(By The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Resignation of Daniel C. Roper as commissioner of internal revenue will leave vacant one of the most important posts in the government.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

GASTONIA COTTON. (Corrected Daily by B. H. Parker & Co.) Good Middling39c Cotton Seed \$1.20

NEW YORK COTTON.

(By The Associated Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Cotton futures opened barely steady. March 37.70; May 34.95; July 32.25; October 29.85; December 29.26.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Following a rather quiet opening in which December sold six points lower and other months unchanged to 8 points higher than last night, the cotton market developed increased activity and strength this morning on a demand from March shorts which carried delivery up to 37.96 or a point above yesterday's record for the session.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

(By The Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 28.—Cotton opened steady. March 38.80; May 35.45; July 32.70; October 29.75; December 29.10.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 28.—Overnight selling orders caused a drop of five to 18 points around the opening of the cotton market today, but good support appeared immediately and a reaction followed which carried the trading months 8 to 23 points over yesterday's close.

WARRANTS ISSUED FOR JACK DEMPSEY

(By The Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Warrants for the arrest of William Harrison (Jack Dempsey), heavyweight pugilistic champion of the world, and Jack Kearns, his manager, were in the hands of the United States marshal today. An indictment charging Dempsey and Kearns with conspiring to evade the selective draft law was returned by the federal grand jury yesterday.

KENT GREER BOUND TO UNITED STATES COURT

High Point Man Held In Sum of \$1,000 On Alleged Violation of Mann Act.

ROCKINGHAM, Feb. 27.—J. Kent Greer, of High Point, was this afternoon given a hearing before United States Commissioner Henry L. Guthrie, the charge being violation of the Mann act. The federal warrant charged that Greer "did unlawfully carry certain females from North Carolina into South Carolina for immoral purposes, in violation of an act of Congress, known as the Mann act."

Representing the government in the hearing were Messrs. Stack, Lockhart, Thomas and Phillips. For the defense were Messrs. Gold, Williams and Jones.

J. R. Long, of High Point, testified that Kent Greer is a married man, having married his daughter, that Mrs. Greer was sick about February 13, at which time Kent was out of town for three days. J. G. Felder testified that he is clerk at the Covington hotel at Cheraw, S. C., that on the night of February 12, W. R. Clinard and Kent Greer registered there with two women, giving their names as R. Brown and C. F. Daily and wives.

Three negro bell boys testified to the two couples spending the night at the hotel and that each of the bell boys became drunk from whiskey given them by Greer and Clinard. Other witnesses testified to the two men and women passing through Richmond county in a green speeder.

READY FOR BIG AUTOMOBILE RACE.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., Feb. 28.—Eighteen drivers, most of them nationally known, were ready to start today in the 250 mile automobile race on the new speedway here. Time recorded in elimination trials, which reduced the field from twenty four, indicated that sensational speed might be expected.

The weather forecast indicated showers during the day, but the speedway management announced that only a heavy downpour would interfere with the race, already twice postponed.

A Minnesota farmer has developed a method for burning only the roots of stumps when land is cleared, saving the upper part for firewood.

MODENA AND MOROWEBB MILLS CHANGES

Mr. J. D. Moore Becomes Secretary and Assistant Treasurer Modena Mills — Is Elected to Directorate of Both.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Morowebb Cotton Mills Mr. J. D. Moore was elected a director in the mill. He was also elected secretary and treasurer, succeeding the late H. B. Moore. Mr. Moore was also elected to the directorate of the Modena mills and to the position of secretary and assistant treasurer. Mr. J. O. White, who has been president and general manager was made president and treasurer. Mr. J. Andrew Webb, of Philadelphia, was elected vice-president and the name of Mr. J. Lee Robinson was added to the directorate.

FALLS FIVE MILES TO LAND SAFELY

All Altitude Records Are Smashed in Sky Drama — Flyer, 36,000 Feet in Air, Weather 67 Below Zero, Loses Control, Falls, Still Alive.

(By The Associated Press.)

DAYTON, O., Feb. 28.—Major R. W. Schroder, chief test pilot at McCook field, who yesterday fell more than five miles in two minutes after shattering the world's altitude record, miraculously escaping death, is today in the army post hospital near here, recovering from partial blindness, and determined to make another ascent at the first opportunity.

Major Schroeder climbed yesterday to a height of 36,020 feet, then plunged downward more than five miles when he lost control of his machine after his oxygen supply was exhausted. While still 2,000 feet above the ground, the aviator, regaining his presence of mind, righted the plane and sailed down to make a graceful landing at McCook field.

When attendants rushed to the flyer's machine after he had landed they found him sitting erect in the plane blinded and unconscious. His eyeballs had been frozen, the temperature to which he had ascended being 67 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit.

At the hospital last night Major Schroeder told of the climb to heights never before attained, of his battle against cold, wind and lack of air, and of his determination to mount 40,000 feet above the ground, his objective when he took the air yesterday.

"I was thinking only of my desire to climb 40,000 feet when suddenly my oxygen stopped flowing," he said. "Then all at once it seemed an explosion took place inside my head. My eyes hurt so that I could not open them and I knew I was falling. I guess I pulled hard on the stick for I knew I must straighten out for a glide. The plane rode easy, I saw McCook field and came down."

Major Schroeder took the air yesterday afternoon. He climbed above the clouds, but the exhaust gas from his plane, freezing in the frigid temperature caused a cloudlike formation resembling the tail of a comet to hang in the sky. As the plane was not visible from the earth, thousands of Dayton citizens who stood gazing at the formation during the noon hour believed it to be the tail of a comet.

Thousands of persons massed in the streets saw the airplane appear, a mere black speck against the blue sky. They saw it become larger, and larger, and leaving a long white trail in its wake as it fell. When the machine was about 2,000 feet above the ground, the watchers saw the outlines of the plane as it hurtled downward in a tail spin. Then they saw the machine suddenly righted. It was at this time that Major Schroeder pulled the control stick.

The mark set by Major Schroeder again gives him the record which Roland Ropfs won from him July 30, 1919, with an official altitude of 30,300 feet, and later increased in a second flight to 31,000 feet. It also breaks the record of Adjutant Casale, a French pilot, who was credited with an unofficial record of 33,137 feet.

Modern inventions, largely resulting from the war, made Major Schroeder's feat possible. Through the Moss supercharger, he was able to get full 400 horsepower from his Liberty motor, despite the high altitude.

LAST CALL FOR ENTRIES FOR TRANS-PACIFIC FLIGHT. NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Contest officials of the Aero Club of America issued today a "last call" for entries for the \$50,000 prize offered by Thomas H. Ince, for the first trans-Pacific air flight. To date not a single entry has been received, it was stated, owing to the inability of would-be contestants to obtain suitable seaplanes. The time limit for entries expires on March 1.

WILL INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK BY TWO MILLION

Arlington, Arrow, Myrtle and Parkdale Will Increase Capital Stock By Approximately \$2,000,000 — Charters Are Amended.

As was noted in The Gazette some weeks ago at a meeting of the stockholders of some of the Separk-Gray chain of mills, it was voted to ask for an amendment to their charters so as to allow an increase in capital stock. The names of the mills and the amount of increase asked are given in the following Raleigh dispatch:

Textile activity so notable in the early weeks of 1920 was revived yesterday when five cotton mills in Gastonia increased their capital and amended their charters by increasing their capital stock by approximately \$2,000,000. Mills involved in the increased capitalization are Arlington Cotton mills, from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000; the Myrtle mills, incorporated from \$500,000 to \$750,000; Arrow mills, incorporated, from \$300,000 to \$750,000; Parkdale mills, from \$600,000 to \$1,000,000.

MATTHEWS-BELK COMPANY DISTRIBUTES CHECKS

At the close of the day's work Friday the management of the Matthews-Belk Company distributed among the 21 employees of the firm bonus checks ranging in size from \$10 to \$100. These checks were given out as a mark of appreciation for meritorious services rendered. Those who had been in the employ of the firm the longest received the largest checks. All who have been with the store since November shared in the distribution of the checks. The affair was a distinct surprise to all, no one having an inkling as to its happening.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT TO HAND OVER 120 SHIPS

(By The Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Friday, Feb. 27.—One hundred and twenty vessels, including eight battleships and a number of cruisers, will be handed over to the allies next week by the German government under the terms of the treaty of Versailles, according to an announcement made at a meeting of the Association of German Fishermen at Hamburg today. These vessels, the announcement said, would be manned by officers of the German mercantile marine.

Excitement prevails at German seaports as the time approaches for delivery of the last German commercial ships, and several unions have appealed to the government, advocating the retention of the boats. It is pointed out that reconstruction of the industry may be impossible and that new disturbances in the labor market are inevitable.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM GREATER STRENGTH

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Both sides in the treaty fight claimed greater strength today, as the result of informal conferences concerning acceptance of the reservation to article ten, admittedly the greatest stumbling block in the path of ratification. Republicans went so far as to say that only a few more democratic votes were needed for the requisite two thirds, but this was contested by democratic leaders, who declared ratification would fail unless the article ten reservation were modified.

While the informal conferences have been in progress, debates on the floor has continued without disposal of the domestic questions reservation, which still was the unfinished business when the senate convened today.

NEW KIND OF AIR-PLANE MOTOR ACCEPTED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Acceptance by the army air service of an airplane motor, which while driving a plane in flight automatically shoots a rapid succession of shells one and one half inches in diameter, weighing one pound, was announced here today by the Manufacturers' Aircraft Association. The airplane cannon, which is of Wright-Hispano design, was built to pierce armored airplanes, tanks, submarines and dirigibles.

The motor is a modification of those used in the war. Unlike the airplane machine guns which shoot through the propeller blades, the airplane cannon is arranged inside the propeller shaft and shoots through the hub of the propeller. Two machine guns are attached to and synchronized with the motor for use in cases where the heavier shots would be unnecessary.

To enable two persons to see the same object at the same time a telescope with two parallel barrels has been constructed by a Swiss optician.

PRESIDENT WILL MAKE EARLY REPLY TO NOTE

London Newspapers Give Much Prominence to Correspondence Between Allied Premiers and President Wilson.

FINAL PHASE OF WHISKEY REBELLION TODAY

(By The Associated Press.)

IRON RIVER, MICH., Feb. 28.—The final phase of "the bloodless liquor rebellion" in Iron county was begun today in the office of Martin S. McDonough, state's attorney, where J. E. Converse, assistant attorney general of Michigan, opened the state inquiry into the clash of authority between rival forces of county and federal agents.

Mr. Converse telegraphed the attorney general at Lansing last night for permission to hold the investigation in public "to give Iron county the same publicity received by Major A. V. Dalrymple," author of the phrases "whiskey rebellion" and "open revolt," applied when McDonough and other city officials took from a federal prohibition agent several barrels of confiscated wine.

Upon Attorney General Groesbeck's answer depended Iron River's chance of a final thrill to cap a week of startling events. This little hill-locked mining village, which never had seen so much excitement in so short a time, was eager for a public hearing, because there were many here who had not been able to figure out what all the excitement was about.

A federal investigation of the "revolt" was conducted yesterday by George F. Cumerow, special agent of the department of justice who examined a number of witnesses behind closed doors.

DEATHS

W. ED WHITESIDES.

Mr. Edward Whitesides received a telegram today announcing the death this morning in the Baptist Sanatorium at Dallas, Texas of his son, Mr. W. Ed Whitesides, of Athens, Texas. As was stated in The Gazette a few days ago Mr. A. E. Whitesides, a brother of the deceased, left Monday to be with him. Mr. Whitesides body will be taken from Dallas to his home at Athens, Texas, for burial, but no details in regard to the funeral arrangements have been received here. A fuller sketch of Mr. Whitesides will be published in Monday's Gazette.

MRS. JEMIMA PLAXICO.

News has been received here of the death of Mrs. Jemima Plaxico, which occurred at her home at Sharon, S. C., last Wednesday, of heart trouble. Deceased was a mother of Mrs. J. Harrison Jenkins, of Gastonia. Mrs. Plaxico was a woman of beautiful Christian character, and was beloved by all who knew her. She had been a loyal and faithful member of the Presbyterian church for more than thirty years. Her six sons, Messrs. George, Luther, Clyde, Bratton, John and Lee Plaxico, were the pall-bearers at her funeral.

DEATHS AT CROUSE.

Mr. Freddie Carpenter and Mr. Will Bolinger Have Recently Passed Away. Correspondence of The Daily Gazette.

CROUSE, Feb. 28.—Mr. Freddie Carpenter died Thursday night of last week, February 19, and was buried on Friday at Bethel Lutheran church, the funeral service being conducted by his pastor, Rev. Ray Aderholdt. Deceased was about 85 years old and was a member of Bethel church. He leaves to mourn his loss six daughters and one son. These are Mrs. Dora Setzer, Mrs. John Mauney, Mrs. Mike Friday, Mrs. Luther Carpenter, Mrs. Venia Carpenter, Mrs. Alice Black and Mr. Sidney Carpenter.

Mr. Will Bolinger died at his home near Long Shoals on Monday of this week. He had been suffering from influenza and pneumonia for the past two weeks, but was thought to be better until a short time before his death. He is survived by his widow and eight children. He was twice married, his first wife having been Miss Ada Hoffman. To this union were born six children. His second wife, who survives, was Miss Mae Southers. After funeral services at the home, burial took place at Landers' Chapel Tuesday afternoon. Rev. J. E. B. Houser officiating.

BIG FIRE IN DANVILLE.

DANVILLE, VA., Feb. 28.—Fire destroyed the plants of the Westbrook Elevator Company and the Greenberg abattoir here early today, with a combined loss of approximately \$150,000. While the fire department was occupied with the elevator fire, which resulted in a loss of \$60,000, the abattoir, on the outskirts of the city, was destroyed.

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—An early reply is expected to be made by President Wilson to the British and French premiers' latest note on the Adriatic situation.

Official circles expressed no surprise that the premiers, as indicated in press summaries of the communication, had asked President Wilson to join them in suggesting that Italy and Jugo Slavia attempt to reach an agreement between themselves on the basis of the withdrawal of all previous understandings. This invitation, according to belief here, will be accepted, for President Wilson in his last communication to the premiers, announced he adhered to the agreement of December 9, but would not oppose a settlement agreeable to Italy and Jugo-Slavia which was not unfair to a third state.

LONDON PAPERS FEATURE IT.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Correspondence between the allied premiers and President Wilson relative to the Adriatic settlement is given much prominence in this morning's London newspapers, but several refrain from commenting on the situation.

"So ends the attempt of Premiers Lloyd George and Clemenceau to coerce the Jugo-Slavs," says The Times, which throughout has supported President Wilson. "Neither of them has reason to be proud of his effort to bully this small people, which Mr. Wilson has virtually forced them to drop. Mr. Lloyd George and Premier Millerand have rushed into the true path into which the American president has driven them. We imagine he will continue to shepherd them along it, perhaps with a somewhat grim smile."

Mr. Lloyd George and M. Millerand are credited by The Express with "frank sincerity" in conceding Mr. Wilson's point and the newspaper thinks "the best hope and the best guarantee of peace lies in Italy and Jugo-Slavia reaching a settlement by mutual agreement."

The Chronicle sharply scores President Wilson and declares his original note was scarcely less than violence.

Against Resumption Relations.

ROME, Friday, Feb. 27.—Resumption of direct negotiations between Italy and Jugo Slavia concerning the Adriatic question is strongly condemned by the Giornale D'Italia, which says:

"Such a step would only compromise Italian prestige and force this country to further renunciation, while those made by Premier Nitti in the last compromise are already excessive."

FARMERS AND LABORERS WILL ELECT CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Formation of a "farmer-labor congressional committee," which will assist in electing a congress "responsible to the people, which will make the transportation trust, the food trust, and the money trust the servants of the people instead of the masters of the people," and restore the "constitutional rights of freedom of discussion," was announced here today by George P. Hampton, managing director of the Farmer's National Council. Mr. Hampton is chairman and Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the brotherhood of locomotive engineers, is vice chairman of the committee.

The personnel of the committee, the appointment of which was authorized at the recent farmer-labor meeting in Chicago, has not been selected in full, but will be announced soon, Mr. Hampton said. Among those already selected are a majority of the heads of various railway employes' organizations and the heads of national and states farmers' and labor organizations. Headquarters have been established here.

OTHER CITIES ANNOUNCE 1920 POPULATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Population statistics for 1920 announced by the census bureau today included: Lima, O., 42,306, an increase of 10,798, or 35.4 per cent over 1910.

Hazleton, Pa., 32,267, an increase of 6,815, or 8.7 per cent.

The announcement was the second issue of statistics of the fourteenth census, the enumeration of which began January 2. Washington and Cincinnati were the first cities to complete the work, their population having been announced a week ago. Of the cities announced today, Hazleton shown the largest growth in the thirteenth census with an increase of 78.9 per cent from 1900 to 1910; Lima's increase was 40.4 per cent and Paducah's 17.0 per cent.