

BIG BALLOON DRIVEN FAR OFF HER COURSE IN FLIGHT OVER OCEAN

The British Dirigible R-34, Which Left East Fortune, Scot., Early This Morning, Struck a Heavy Fog and Drifted Southwesterly Along the Coast of Ireland, Making Only 32 Knots an Hour Because of Weather Conditions.

MAJ. SCOTT REPORTED THAT ALL WAS WELL

Start of the Great Machine Was Not Attended by Ceremony, and Not Many People Gathered to See the Crew Off on Their Hazardous Voyage - Silk American Flag Presented.

London, July 2.—The British dirigible R-34, which left East Fortune, Scotland, at 1:48 o'clock, Greenwich time, this morning on her attempt to fly across the Atlantic, had reached 53 degrees, 50 minutes north latitude, 15 degrees, 50 minutes west longitude at 2 o'clock, Greenwich time, this afternoon (10 o'clock New York time).

Major Scott, the commander, in his wireless dispatch, said that the dirigible at that time was making 32 knots an hour in a thick fog. He added that all was well.

The position of the R-34 at 12 o'clock, Greenwich time, was approximately 300 miles west of Penzance, England, indicating the big airship had traveled in a southwesterly direction along the coast of Ireland since her previous report at 8 o'clock, Greenwich time, when she was at 55 degrees, 50 minutes north latitude, and 10 degrees, 50 minutes, west longitude.

The mail carried by the R-34 includes a letter from King George to President Wilson.

East Fortune, Scotland, July 2 (By the Associated Press).—The British dirigible R-34 started on her long-heralded trip to America this morning with little more ceremony than that which attended the departure of dirigibles for their momentous North sea patrol during the war.

Shortly before the first streaks of dawn broke over the plains near here, the great airship was quietly taken out of its airframe and turned around until her nose was pointed straight west. The command "Hands off" was given and the huge envelope quickly rose. Before the height of 500 feet was reached she was lost to view in the mist.

The whirr of the propellers could be heard for several minutes after the airship went out of sight.

The weather reports indicate that the R-34 will meet unsettled conditions, with variable winds, until she is some distance out into the Atlantic. Then it is expected she will have following winds, which will assist her.

Not more than a score of people motored the 2 1/2 miles from Edinburgh to the airfield here to witness the start, but among them was one American woman who presented a silk American flag to Lieutenant Commander Zachary Lansdowne, American flight commander, just before he stepped into the gondola.

Aside from these few persons the only spectators were the 300 men and 160 women stationed at the airfield. They had been called out at 2 a. m. by the usual "landing party" bugle, and the drowsiness of many of them indicated that the start of this historic trip had not kept them awake in the earlier hours of the night. They took their accustomed place at the guy ropes and bars at the lower parts of the gondolas. The great airship then was released, except for her human anchors and to test her lifting powers, loaded as she was with more petrol than ever previously had been in her tanks, the men at the gondolas were ordered to release their hold.

The ship quickly rose and just as quickly the order was given to pull her down. After this test the men and women holding the guy ropes slowly started toward the open doors of the airframe. She was towed to a point about 300 yards from the airframe, and after being turned around, all five of her powerful motors were started humming.

Then the "hands off" bugle was sounded, the airship started to rise, her propellers began to spin and almost before the cheering had ceased, the great flier had disappeared in the mist.

GERMANY VERY SLUGGISH. In Taking Steps Toward Ratification of Peace Treaty.

Berlin, Tuesday, July 1 (By the Associated Press).—The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung states that it is authoritatively informed that Germany has taken no definite steps for a speedy ratification of the peace treaty, presumably because a number of preliminary questions, particularly those exactly fixing the frontiers in regions to be ceded, must first be settled.

Brest, July 2.—During the month of June, 177,000 American troops sailed homeward from Brest. This is the record for any month at any port on the Atlantic seaboard of France since the armistice.

ADMITS ARSENIC FOUND IN BODY

But Never Will Admit That Arsenic Was the Cause of Florence W. Gay's Death, Says Counsel for Accused Mrs. Skeels.

Lawrence, Mass., July 2.—Admitting there was arsenic in the body of Miss Florence W. Gay, the invalid for whose murder Mrs. Bessie M. (Skeels) Lundgren is on trial, D. J. Daley, counsel for the defense, said in his closing argument to-day, "but we never will admit that death was due to arsenic." He said he would "rather rely on the first diagnosis of Dr. Charles E. Abbott," the Gay family physician, who certified that Miss Gay died of cerebral hemorrhage.

"We do not admit the amount of arsenic reported to have been found in the body," he continued, adding: "If Dr. Abbott saw the symptoms which he now says were of arsenical poisoning and did not administer an antidote, we have the wrong defendant in the chair. If Dr. George H. Sessmith saw the same symptoms in the New Jersey case (the death of Albert J. Wilkins, brother of the defendant, who is charged with his murder also), consider again who should be the defendant."

As a motive, counsel said, "they bring in a bunch of junk (articles which Mrs. Lundgren was charged with stealing from the Gay home) and want you to take a woman's life because Florence E. Luce (a relative of the Gays) said they were of historic value."

The defendant, her counsel argued, was in her right mind. "The government lacked a motive, so they sent alienists to find one," he asserted.

Counsel said that there would be no request for a verdict of manslaughter. The defendant either was guilty of murder in the first degree, he said, or she was innocent.

Mr. Daley said the government's group of alienists had never "until a few days ago realized that the death of Miss Gay might have been due to salvarsan."

Counsel said that the defendant was a "loving sister" to the brother she is charged with having poisoned, and ridiculed the theory that she killed him to prevent his appearance in Massachusetts courts as a witness in the case in which she was charged with larceny.

He characterized as "sufficient" the act of the prosecution in introducing Mrs. Nellie B. Wolfe of New Haven, Conn., first wife of Frank M. Skeels, "recalling a suggestion that 23 years ago the defendant went away with another woman's husband in an attempt to prove that a woman who would do that would commit murder."

GERMAN CLAIM SOUND.

There Was Need for Early Relief, Report British Officers.

London, Tuesday, July 1.—Germany possessed a sound case in claiming early relief, according to reports of British officers who visited Silesia in April to ascertain the economic conditions prevailing in Germany. A white paper issued to-night gives the text of their reports and the result of their investigations.

It is said that there was a genuine shortage of foodstuffs, and the health of the population had suffered so seriously that the working classes had reached such a stage of desperation that they could not be trusted to keep the peace.

The officers obtained an interview with Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau, then foreign minister, who repeated a statement which he made at a secret cabinet meeting in January, to the effect that bolshevism was the only subject over which Germany and the entente could act together in the general interests. He declared he was prepared to go to any length to convince England, France and America that his claims were bona fide, and would readily disclose whatever knowledge he possessed if by that means the peril of bolshevism could be better understood and combated, as he did not consider the situation beyond repair.

The officers' reports state that a number of distressing cases of malnutrition, especially of children, were brought to their attention. Some of these were in Breslau, where babies were given a weak spinach brew from soup kitchens, instead of milk. In reporting his visit to Berlin, East Prussia, West Prussia and Courland, Major Bertie stated that the allied policy of the economic boycott would probably prove a complete failure, as the United States was not prepared to co-operate in it and with "England engaged in various schemes for capturing German trade as soon as the blockade is raised."

MILITARY CENSORSHIP OFF.

Soldiers' Letters Will Go Through Without Reading.

Paris, July 2.—General Pershing, it was announced at military headquarters here to-day, has issued instructions that the military censorship be abolished immediately.

Coblentz, July 2 (By the Associated Press).—All censorship over the dispatches of correspondents with the American army and censorship of soldiers' mail and telegrams, will cease to-night.

STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

Commercial Telegraphers' Union Ended Effort To-day.

New York, July 2.—The strike of the Commercial Telegraphers' union against the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies was declared off this afternoon, it was announced here by Percy Thomas, deputy international president of the organization.

ORDERS INVESTIGATION

Of Alleged Defiance to Law in Atlantic City.

Washington, D. C., July 2.—Attorney General Palmer to-day ordered investigation of liquor selling at Atlantic City and immediate federal prosecutions if conditions are as reported in the newspapers.

TAKES COMMAND OF RHINE ARMY

Major-General Henry T. Allen Succeeds General Hunter Liggett

FORMER COMMAND WAS 90TH DIVISION

American Military Headquarters in Paris Made Announcement To-day

Paris, July 2.—Major General Henry T. Allen, it was announced at American military headquarters to-day, will succeed Lieutenant General Hunter Liggett in command of "the forces on the Rhine," the new title of the army of occupation based on Coblenz.

Major General Allen formerly commanded the 90th division, composed of national army troops from Texas and Oklahoma, which he took overseas, after having trained the division at Camp Travis. General Allen was born in Kentucky and entered West Point in 1878 from that state.

FIRE BROKE OUT ON NEW YORK ELEVATED

Three Alarms Were Turned in as Early Report Said That Three Trains Containing Passengers Were Burning.

New York, July 2.—The Sixth avenue elevated structure at South Ferry, at the southern end of Manhattan island, caught fire this afternoon. First reports were that several trains containing passengers were burning. Three alarms were turned in.

With the spread of the flames the Staten Island municipal ferry terminal was threatened with destruction.

PROMINENT ENOSBURG MAN.

Albert A. Aseltine Died To-day at Age of 58 Years.

Enosburg Falls, July 2.—Albert A. Aseltine, 58 years old and for 11 years prominent in business and town affairs, died this morning at about 8 o'clock at his home on North Main street, after several months' illness. The funeral will be held at the home Saturday forenoon at 1 o'clock, Rev. W. B. Dukeshire of the M. E. church officiating.

Mr. Aseltine was born in Swanton, Aug. 24, 1860. He was in the mercantile business in Lowell about seven years and moved to this village in the fall of 1890, going into business here. He had been prominent in town and village affairs and at the time of his death had been treasurer of the town, the graded school district and the village corporation for several years. He was steward and a trustee of the M. E. church and superintendent of the Sunday school for 20 years.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs. John Branch, Jr., of St. Albans, and a son, Maurice, of this place, and a brother, Azro, of Burlington.

AMBULANCE SECTIONS ARRIVE

On Battleship North Carolina, Which Arrived from Brest.

New York, July 2.—The battleship North Carolina from Brest and the Italian steamer America from Marseilles, arrived here to-day with 1,395 and 2,248 troops, respectively.

On board the battleship were the 410th telegraph battalion, complete, and detachments of U. S. army ambulance sections Nos. 514, 537, 541 and 589; 317th service park unit, 295th military police company, 5th mobile field laboratory.

The America brought back three officers and 131 men of the 330th field remount squadron; two officers and 293 men of the 165th company, transportation corps and 16 scattered casual companies. Major General William Howes Burnham was among the casuals on board.

St. Johnsbury's Grand List Decreased.

St. Johnsbury, July 2.—The listers have completed their work for the year and St. Johnsbury's total grand list for 1919 is \$69,684.53. This is about \$2,000 less than last year, the difference being in the returns on the personal property. The total number of polls is 2,425, an increase of 200 from 1918. The increase is largely due to the desire of the women to participate in coming elections. The total valuation of St. Johnsbury's real estate is \$5,054,973 and the personal property is returned at \$1,428,480.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss Marion Anker has gone to Enosburg Falls to spend a few days with a classmate, Miss Dorothy Larabee.

O. W. Allen of Waltham, Mass., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Matilda Allen, and his sister, Mrs. W. H. Richardson of Merchant street.

Mrs. M. F. Wood and children, Joseph and Mary, of Athol, Mass., arrived to-day and will visit Mrs. Wood's mother, Mrs. J. E. Wilson, who lives in the Miles block. Mrs. Wood will be remembered as Miss Agnes Wilson.

Edward G. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Walker of Webster street, arrived at his home this morning, having received his discharge from the navy, in which he has served for nearly two years. Mr. Walker has been stationed for some time at Montauk, L. I.

JOHN S. BUTTLES NAMED AS INDUSTRIES COMMR.

He Was Nominated at Recent Legislature by Gov. Clement But the Nomination Was Not Confirmed.

Gov. P. W. Clement to-day appointed John S. Buttles of Brandon as commissioner of industries to take the place of R. W. Simonds, who resigned Monday. Mr. Buttles was nominated by Governor Clement in the legislature but the Senate did not confirm the appointment. Mr. Buttles is a member of the present legislature. He is a native of Troy, N. Y., born in 1877, was educated in Brandon high school, University of Vermont and New York Law school and was admitted to the bar in 1900. He was a first lieutenant in Company G of the home guards at Brandon.

Governor Clement said this morning that no appointment of the successor of Charles A. Plumley, who resigned two weeks ago, has been made. It is understood that the position has been offered to a couple of men who apparently do not care to assume the duties of the office.

VERMONT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Elected Officers at Convention Held in Montpelier Late Yesterday.

The Vermont Library association, whose convention is a part of the library week that is in progress in Montpelier this week, closed its session last evening by listening to the reciting of "Romance" (Sheldon) by Mrs. Grace Sage Griffith of Boston, who did a very finished piece of work in her reading of the play. The latter part of yesterday afternoon was given to a community library tea, in which Miss Evelyn Lease of Montpelier and Miss Fanny Fletcher of Cavendish were the hostesses. They were assisted by Miss Alice Eaton of Woodstock, Miss Anna Mower of Morrisville, Mrs. W. P. Smith of St. Johnsbury, Miss Mary Bates of Burlington, Miss Desier Moulton of Randolph and Miss Elizabeth C. Hill of Lyndonville.

Those who did the serving included Mrs. George Smith, Misses Julia Tupper, Ruth Brown, Florence Tupper, Camena Bowers, Ethel Ball, Elizabeth Temple, Ruth Johnson, Mrs. Henry Colton and Miss Grace Kingsland of Montpelier.

The following officers were elected: President, Miss Mary K. Norton of Proctor; vice-president, Miss Anna Mower of Morrisville; secretary-treasurer, Miss Elizabeth C. Hill of Lyndonville district vice-presidents—Orleans, Essex and Caledonia counties, Miss Grace Knight of Charlestown; Franklin, Lamoille and Grand Isle, Rev. F. W. Hazen of Johnson; Rutland, Bennington, Mr. H. S. And Chittenden, Miss Laura Colman, Shelburne; Washington and Orange, Miss Desier Moulton of Randolph; Windsor and Windham, Miss Elizabeth McCarthy of Springfield.

When the sessions convened Tuesday afternoon, Redfield Proctor of Proctor, chairman of the trustees' and citizens' conference, made a report of the group meeting held in the morning, which was a well-thought-out report of the conference. In brief, he reported that it was the sense of the morning conference that the librarians should be the leaders in the community work, bringing to the attention of the people the new ideas that come to them through their work, which is different from any other organization in the community life; that the librarians should have more backing by the trustees than is usually given; that the librarians shall not be confined to the clerical work of cataloguing and the like; that the war has opened up new fields of activity and that those interested in library work must see that the best is made of the new fields. The librarians shall study with the children and reach the homes through the schools. More publicity, to show the work being accomplished, was urged, and to let the people know the part the library has in the community life.

This was followed by a discussion of the economic co-operation in communities with the library as the possible center, and a talk by Miss Margery Quigley of the New York State Library school, upon "Where Neighbors Meet"; and then the community tea took place. Miss Grace Kingsland of the free public library association displayed books on child welfare.

This morning Miss Margery Quigley of New York gave an interesting talk upon the cataloguing and classification in library work. She was followed by Miss Florence Robinson of Montpelier on the charging systems for small libraries. Then Miss Quigley spoke upon publicity. At the historical rooms in the state building the collection of the historical material was shown during the afternoon. This evening Mrs. Margaret W. Deland will speak on "The life of the women of France. This is in the high school auditorium.

MORE LICENSES REVOKED

Secretary of State Black Says There Are Too Many Accidents.

Secretary of State Harry A. Black has suspended two more operators' licenses, revoked another and prosecuted another person for breaking the automobile regulations. Those suspended are Ernest D. Galvin of Middlebury and Norman S. Foote of Middlebury, both of whom are suspended upon complaint of the state's attorney, who is conducting an investigation.

B. H. Durand of Huntington was brought into court in Bellows Falls on the charge of operating his automobile while intoxicated and convicted; therefore, his license has been revoked. Charles Palmer of Walpole, N. H., was brought into court in Bellows Falls because he was operating a car in this state without a license.

The secretary of state has called attention to the reckless driving and large amount of accidents that are taking place between Barre and Montpelier. This must be stopped, he states.

23,065 CARS REGISTERED

In Vermont for First Six Months of the Present Year.

The receipts at the secretary of state's office show a marked increase in the first six months this year over that of the same length of time last year. The total number of cars registered in the first six months of 1918 was 20,431, while the receipts were \$362,964.82. The total number of cars registered in the first six months this year was 23,065, while the total receipts were \$400,357.92. At the rate the receipts have been coming in they bid fair to approach \$500,000 for 1919.

BIG MEASURES WERE ENACTED

Congress Passed Army Bill, Sundry Civil, D. C. Annual Budget, and Deficiency

BOTH BRANCHES THEN QUIT TILL JULY 8

Peace Treaty and Prohibition Enforcement to Come Up on That Date

Washington, D. C., July 2.—Although presidential approval cannot be secured until President Wilson reaches here from Paris, no embarrassment to government departments from lack of funds is expected, as a result of the passage by Congress last night of all appropriation bills needed by the various agencies of the government for the new fiscal year that began yesterday.

After being in session until midnight, the House and Senate finally reported agreements on bills that have been in dispute for weeks: The measures passed included the army bill, carrying \$775,000,000; the sundry civil bill, carrying \$805,000,000; the District of Columbia annual budget of \$15,000,000, and a deficiency measure of \$15,000,000. With the appropriation bill disposed of and with passage of the administration's water-power bill in the House, both branches adjourned until Tuesday, July 8. At that time President Wilson is expected to present the treaty of peace with Germany, and while the Senate is debating this document the House will resume consideration of prohibition enforcement legislation.

LEAGUE OPPOSITION WAITS.

Will Not Bring Efforts to Bear Until Peace Treaty Comes Up.

Washington, D. C., July 2.—With the beginning to-day of a week's recess of Congress, it seemed assured that Senate opponents of the league of nations would abandon any plan for a formal Senate declaration on the subject before the fight for actual ratification of the treaty begins.

Until the recess plan was suggested, opposition leaders apparently intended to try, as soon as the appropriation bills were passed, to bring some Senate action in advance of presentation of the treaty. For this purpose it was said the opposition would press the resolution of Senator Knox, Pennsylvania, to serve notice of unwillingness to accept the covenant as part of the treaty and of the Senate of Fall, Republican, of New Mexico, to declare a state of peace with Germany.

It now is expected, however, that the treaty will be presented as soon as the recess is over and that both of these resolutions will be considered then to have outlived their usefulness. Present indications also are unfavorable to any other collateral effort by the league opponents, and the general prediction is that from now on it will be a straight fight over unqualified ratification.

HAD JOYFUL OCCASION.

Over 200 People Attended the Congregational Picnic.

Yesterday at Caledonia park over 200 children and adults gathered to enjoy one of the most successful picnics undertaken by the Barre Congregational church in many years. Ball games, foot races and story hour were interesting features of the day. Probably one of the most interesting parts of the day was the ball game between the boys under 14 years of age and the younger boys proudly carried away the victory over the men. In the first foot race, girls under eight years of age took part, Katherine Booth winning first prize and Rita Hendrickson winning the second prize. In the next race, boys eight years old and younger took part. James MacDonald taking first prize and Angus MacDonald second. Girls' race of age eight to 12 was won by Irene Booth and second by Doris Wiley. Boys' race, ages eight to 12, was won by Gordon Welch, and second prize went to Walter Phelps.

The next race was for the girls of ages 12 to 14, which was won by Ruth McKnight, Rachel Spear coming in second. The last race in the 100-yard dash was for the boys between ages of 12 and 14, and was won by Lloyd Eisenwarter; second prize went to Eugene Pierce.

A three-legged race was an amusing part of the athletics, which was won by Walter Hendrickson and Bertel Soderstrom, second prize going to Kendall Love and Ralph Pierce.

At the end of this, another foot race for the girls was arranged for those between the ages of eight and 10, and this was won by Robina MacDonald and second was taken by Margaret Glass.

Ice cream cones and lemonade were furnished by the Sunday school to all the children present. Miss Marion Stickney and Miss Marguerite Carrier entertaining the children for about an hour by telling their stories. Everyone who was present reports a very good time.

CONSIDERING SALARIES

Vermont State Board of Control Meeting at Montpelier.

The state board of control commenced this morning a two days' session at Montpelier when further consideration of salaries besides those whose salary is fixed by the state, will be held. The board will also have some other matters connected with the different state departments under consideration. The new financial system will be reviewed and it is expected a statement of the change that went into effect Tuesday will be made. John E. Weeks, director of the state institutions, who is a member of the board, has moved his office into the room on the main corridor of the State House that used to be occupied by the clerical assistants in the educational department office, while the bookkeeper and Miss Jessie Watson, who will have charge of the new system of paying in the state treasurer's office, are in the room formerly used by Mason S. Stone as commissioner of education.

EVERY COMMITTEEMAN CALLED OUT TO-NIGHT

Final Round-Up Over Barre's Fourth of July Celebration Will Be Held—The Meeting Will Be Short.

An 11th-hour round-up of every chairman, every committeeman and everybody else who has been identified with plans for Barre's home-coming celebration Friday will be held in the hall of the Granite Manufacturers' association this evening at 8 o'clock. It is absolutely imperative that all committees be present, and if there are any absentees the progress of final plans for the celebration will be seriously impaired. The meeting will be of short duration, but every committeeman is urged to be present promptly.

To-day an S. O. S. call for additional funds was sounded. Some of the features which go to make up the program undoubtedly will exceed the appropriation and to meet a stern necessity, it is essential that at least \$800 be added by to-morrow noon, or to-morrow night at the very latest. Contribution headquarters is maintained in the waiting room at the Aldrich building, and every donor will receive a receipt. Those who have withheld their contributions are assured that the money is urgently needed and that it will be well placed, if contributed, for the entertainment of the soldiers and sailors. Moreover, every feature of the celebration is free and those who do not give to-day or to-morrow cannot pay Friday.

Beyond a doubt Barre is going to draw from a large reservoir of territory for its holiday crowd. From surrounding towns in Washington and Orange counties it looks as if all roads were running into Barre alone. Soldiers and sailors are responding promptly to the invitation, and in this connection a number of unclaimed invitations have been returned. For the service men who, through unavoidable mistakes in addressing the envelopes, have failed to receive them, the invitation is just as urgent. Wounded soldiers will be provided transportation during the parade.

Revamped arrangements for policing the grounds at the south end, and for parking automobiles, insure ample protection and a maximum of convenience for everyone. During the flights of Lieut. Lynch the space within the track must be vacated by the crowd, as the entire oval will be available for the take-off of the big Curtis JN-4.

The committee is relying upon the various sections of the city to join in the chorus of bell-ringing from 8:30 to 9 o'clock on the morning of the Fourth. It will be Barre's celebration of the peace signing, as well as a salute to the returned soldiers and sailors. Boys and girls are urged to co-operate with the bonfire committee in adding to the supply of wood for the illumination feature on the night of the Fourth. The committee includes: Atla Mariani, E. M. Laws, Joseph Merlo, W. M. Holden and A. Lamorey. Boys who are willing to help are asked to meet Mr. Mariani at once. He may be seen at the Bijou theatre.

Probably the first hangar to be erected in Vermont was inspected by many visitors at the park to-day. It will house the Curtis JN-4 to-morrow night, after flight over Barre and vicinity to-morrow.

AFTER SPECIAL GASOLINE

Barre Man Goes to Windsor to Secure Fuel for Air Flight.

Through a curious combination of circumstances, the air flight that is to feature Barre's home-coming celebration on July 4 has been linked with an official flight by another U. S. army aviator who was due to land in Windsor this noon and in Lancaster, N. H., to-morrow in time for a flight Friday.

Aviators require a high-test gasoline not available in centers removed from the flight lanes. When it became known that Lieut. J. Lynch was to make the Curtis JN-4 which is to figure in Barre's celebration arrangements were made for procuring some of the high-test mixture in Albany, N. Y. The shipment was missent, and while it may yet arrive in time, the committee was unwilling to take a chance. Sergt. Alex. D. Stratton, who has been looking after the preparation of a hangar, learned that an army aviator was en route from Mineola, L. I., to Lancaster, N. H. The aviator, who turned out to be Lieut. Torney, a recruiting officer for the army air service, was intercepted by telephone in Springfield, Mass., where he made a landing last night. Lieut. Torney stated that he was landing at Windsor this evening in Windsor to-day and after the local situation was explained he very generously offered to give 20 gallons of a supply of high-test gas awaiting him at Windsor to the Barre committee. The result of Lieut. Torney's graceful act came this forenoon when H. F. Cutler, one of the local committeemen, left by automobile for Windsor to get the gasoline. Incidentally Mr. Cutler hoped to view Lieut. Torney's landing on the Evans estate and to thank him personally for his kindness in assisting the committee out of a threatening dilemma.

It develops that Lieut. Torney is on a recruiting mission for the army air service. After landing in Windsor this noon he is to demur at such action, but no action was taken by the committee.

Bills for clothing purchased for Barre inmates of the county jail who are imprisoned for non-payment of taxes were ordered paid out of the charity fund. A bond for the placing of Francis Giguere, aged 17, in a tuberculosis institution, was ordered executed.

Because warrants were ordered paid: \$652.50, pay for callmen of the fire department; \$300 to Barre City band for concert; \$462.69, street water; \$26.88, engineering payroll; \$157.72, water payroll; \$129.84, fire payroll; \$134.01, police payroll; \$71.20, Alderman Alexander's salary; \$19, city hall janitor; \$18, social worker.

BARRE POST, A. L., ELECTION.

Guy R. Varnum Was Elected First Commander Last Evening.

The second meeting in connection with the forming of a post of the American Legion in Barre was held in the granite masons' rooms last evening. The meeting was largely attended, there being about 75 discharged service men present. Practically all the time was given over to business, although plans for the parade July 4 were informally discussed.

The nominating committee appointed at the first meeting reported favorably on the following officers and they were unanimously confirmed last night: First commander, Guy R. Varnum; first vice commander, Alex. Stratton; adjutant, John Gibb; post finance officer, Guy Otloini; post historian, Cecil J. Dowers; post chaplain, George Murray; delegate to county convention and member of county committee, Neale Hooker.

Because of the fact that many of the prospective members of the local post will come from the surrounding towns, it was voted to change the name from the Barre City post to the Barre post, American Legion. Already a request has been forwarded for a charter and another meeting will be held in the near future. The matter of dues was also taken care of last night. It was voted to make the entrance fee \$1 and dues \$1 per year.

AVIATOR BURNED TO DEATH

While Trying Out a New Type of Machine at Hempstead, L. I.

Hempstead, N. Y., July 2.—Lieutenant Jules Biscaryart, an aviator, was burned to death here to-day when his airplane, a new type of machine in which he was making an initial flight, fell suddenly. The gasoline tank exploded. Biscaryart, who resided here, was recently married.

DISTRICT HEALTH SUPERVISION

Barre Is Under Dr. C. H. Burr of Montpelier, Head of the Fifth District

THERE ARE 34 TOWNS IN HIS JURISDICTION

Barre Has a Board of Health but No Local Health Officer

The city of Barre is now under the supervision, being in district No. 5, in which there are 34 cities and towns, including Montpelier as well as Barre, and over which Dr. C. H. Burr of Montpelier is the state-paid health officer. The matter was considered at the regular meeting of the Barre city council last night, although previous notification had been given that the municipality was to be under district supervision rather than to have a separate health officer of its own.