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Thundershowers, followed by fair probably Wednesday.

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HUN TREACHERY TO ALLIES FORESEEN

WILL ATTEMPT TO KEEP COUNTY TAX RATE FROM RAISE

County Court Committee and Special Tax Rate Body Will Work Together in Discussing Rate for Present Year.

Members of the county tax rate committee will hold their first formal meeting Monday, to take up the problem of fixing the county tax rate for the current year.

The state rate, which was 50 cents last year, has been increased this year to 75 cents. However, the state school tax is included in that figure. The school tax of 15 cents for common schools and 5 cents for high schools, will be returned to the county, so that the real increase in the state rate is only 5 cents more than last year.

The total tax rate for last year was $1.68, and the tax aggregate for state and county was $1,835,171.

The state's part of that was $546,181, leaving $1,288,989 for county purposes.

Members of the tax rate committee, and J. A. Heard, chairman of the county court, have stated that it is not their intention to raise the county tax rate this year unless it seems absolutely necessarily in order to provide funds for necessary expenditures and for the interest and sinking fund on the various bond issues.

Commission Wants More.

The general expenses of the county, on payments handled from the chairman's office runs to about $170,000 to $175,000 a year. The remainder of the tax collections are expended under the supervision of the county commissioners. Most of the funds that the county commission expends are derived from special taxes, and include the levies for turnpikes roads, and bridges, and the expenses of the county institutions such as the workhouse, poor and insane asylum, and the upkeep of the courthouse and jail.

The schools last year received the revenue from a combined tax levy of 45½ cents, aggregating $455,018 for common schools, and $120,000 for high schools. The tax of one and one-half cents for the industrial school produced last year $16,385. The industrial school is conducted by a board of trustees with funds provided by the county court.

The county commissioners are asking for a number of thousand dollars more this year than last, but while the commission has full charge of the expenditure of the funds, the county court must approve its budget and fix the appropriations. The county commission budget will be submitted to the tax rate committee next Monday.

Members of the special tax rate committee, representing the commercial and civic organizations, which has been working on the financial needs of the city for three weeks, is also charged with an investigation into the county budget and tax rate. An informal conference has been held with the county court committee, and assurances were given that every effort will be made to keep the county rate down as low as possible.

Members of the county tax rate committee are R. L. Bartels, county attorney, with Magistrates J. F. Houston, J. J. Arnold, D. G. Jeter, J. M. Maher and C. L. Clancy. J. A. Heard, chairman of the county court, is ex-officio member of the committee. Mr. Heard for years in the county court has advocated economy and also has opposed increasing the bond issues for which the county is responsible.

The county board of equalization has not yet passed on the final figures for this year, but an unofficial estimate of the total places it at $108,672,630.

This is approximately $563,760 less than last year, when the final figures were $109,236,390.

TWO FLYERS KILLED IN AIRPLANE'S FALL

RYE BEACH, N. Y., June 24.—Two unidentified aviators, believed to have been army flyers, were killed when their airplane fell several hundred feet here today. The machine caught fire and the bodies were burned beyond recognition.

MINEOLA, N. Y., June 24.—It was officially announced here today that the aviators killed at Rye Beach were Lieut. Shelley M. Watson, of Rogers, Texas, and M. Ireland, a civilian mechanic, of Westbury. The machine was on its way from Rye to Hazelhurst field here when the accident happened.

FREIGHT MEN TO MEET.

The board of directors of the Memphis freight bureau will meet Wednesday afternoon at the office of James S. Davant, Exchange building, to discuss a number of matters that are to come up for hearings before various committees of the federal railroad administration in the near future. Among the topics to be brought up will be the Meridian rate case, the Poindexter bill, the advance in rates to river terminals, the operation of boat lines by shippers, fabrication of iron and steel at Memphis and freight service from Eastern cities to Memphis.

MRS. NEWELL DIES.

Mrs. Edward F. Newell, who died at her home, 1977 Cowden avenue, Monday night, will be laid to rest in Forest Hill cemetery Wednesday afternoon, following funeral services which will be conducted by the Rev. J. J. Thomas. Mrs. Newell was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. McIntyre. Friends are invited to the services at the home, but interment will be private. Mr. Newell is the sales manager of the Cole-McIntyre-Norfleet company.

ABUSED; SEEKS DIVORCE.

Alleging that he had beaten her, threatened to kill her with a pistol, cut a hole in her lip by a blow and had abused her in various other ways, Lula Coffman filed suit for divorce against Andrew Coffman in circuit court Tuesday. Andrew's whereabouts are not known to Lula at the present time, the declaration alleges.

THE WEATHER

Tennessee—Thundershowers; Wednesday probably fair.

Mississippi—Showers probable.

Missouri—Showers probable.

Arkansas—Thundershowers; Wednesday fair.

Kentucky and East Tennessee—Cloudy, showers probably in south.

Louisiana—Partly cloudy.

West Texas—Partly cloudy.

Oklahoma—Scattered showers.

North and South Carolina and Georgia—Wednesday showers probable in south.

Florida—Fair, not much change in temperature.

They Will Guard Shores Of U. S.

ADMIRAL HENRY B. WILSON, above, and ADMIRAL HUGH RODMAN.

The new division of the U. S. naval forces calls for two fleets of equal strength; one to be known as the Pacific fleet and the other as the Atlantic fleet. Orders making the new plan effective also stated that Admiral Henry B. Wilson will command the Atlantic fleet and Admiral Hugh Rodman the Pacific. Each fleet will have four divisions of dreadnoughts and battleships, two divisions of cruisers, 18 divisions of destroyers, three divisions of submarines and two of mine layers.

TOTAL U. S. CASUALTIES TO DATE 289,016

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Total casualties of the American expeditionary forces reported to date was announced today by the war department as 289,016, including:

Killed in action (including 381 lost at sea), 33,754.
Died of wounds, 13,570.
Died of disease, 23,396.
Died from accidents and other causes, 4,942.
Total deaths, 75,662.
Wounded in action, 210,984.
Missing in action (not including prisoners released and returned), 2,370.

PROBE REPORT OF $300,000 ROBBERY

NEW YORK, June 24.—Investigation of a claim that $300,000 worth of valuables were apparently stolen from a safe deposit vault at the Biltmore hotel here is in progress, it was announced today. The valuables are the property of Mrs. Clarence Millhiser, of Richmond, Va.

Counsel for the Biltmore hotel stated Mrs. Millhiser and her husband, who died here on May 20, had registered on that day at the hotel and engaged one of the safe deposit vaults in which valuables are stored. Into the vault Mrs. Millhiser claimed she placed property of "considerable value." It is understood this property was worth $350,000. Early in June, when Mrs. Millhiser opened the vault, according to her complaint to the hotel management, $300,000 worth was missing, including a pearl necklace worth more than $200,000.

Mrs. Millhiser's husband is understood to have left her a fortune estimated at $30,000,000.

METHODIST BISHOP MAY PREACH FROM AIRSHIP

COLUMBUS, O., June 24.—Pending sanction from the war department plans are being made by the officials of the Methodist centenary for the delivering of a sermon by one of the bishops of the church from the decks of a huge dirigible, the A-4, which will arrive here tomorrow from Akron. If plans materialize, a bishop will ascend with the four army officers who are in charge of the balloon, and will deliver his sermon through a large megaphone.

Among the speakers who featured the program of woman's day today were Mrs. W. F. McDowell, wife of Bishop McDowell, and Mrs. W. P. Thierkield, wife of Bishop Thierkield. Mrs. McDowell is president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society, and Mrs. Thierkield is president of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the Methodist church.

This afternoon the Woman's Christian Temperance union held a special celebration.

DEACONS ARE SILENT AS TO DR. BEN COX

Members of the board of deacons of the Central Baptist church which met Monday night indicated Tuesday that no action was taken upon the stand that the pastor, Dr. Ben Cox, has taken for T. W. Schoultz, or the sermon that he preached Sunday on the conviction.

Members said that there probably would be another meeting of the diaconate this week, probably Saturday and possibly sooner. As Dr. Cox is in Helena for the week the suggestion of Saturday for the date for the meeting may be significant.

There was opposition in the congregation to Dr. Cox's announced intention to preach on the case. To what extent that opposition exists since the sermon was delivered remains to be seen.

TWO DOLLAR RATE WOULD GIVE CITY AMPLE TAX FUND

Tax Rate Committee May Seek to Show That 40 Cent Increase Is Double That Needed for Revenues.

CITY TAX RATE FACTS.

1919 assessment at 1918 rate of $1.80 would yield increase of $24,187.

1919 assessment at $2 rate would yield increase of $289,090.

1919 assessment at $2.20 rate proposed by city would yield increase of $560,181.

In any event add $200,000 bonds and $100,000 increase in privileges to yield shown above which will be available in 1919.

Final figures of the city assessment for all purposes having been turned in by T. G. Scarborough, city tax assessor, with his estimates of the probable assessment of public utilities, which is made by the state commission, will somewhat simplify the work of the special tax rate committee.

The total as given in Mr. Scarbrough's report to Mayor Monteverde is $135,544,935. That is $1,343,730 more than the total assessment for 1918.

If the tax rate remained the same as last year—$1.80—that would provide an increased tax of $24,187.14.

Assuming, however, that the rate may be recommended as $2 by the special committee—and this assumption is not given on the authority of any member of the committee—the total tax aggregate this year would be $2,710,898.

The tax aggregate last year was $2,421,808. Therefore, at a $2 rate, based on this year's assessment, the tax aggregate would be $289,090 more than for 1918.

If the rate proposed by the city administration—$2.20—is allowed to stand, the tax aggregate would be $2,981,989, or an excess over 1918 of $560,181.

The tax aggregate is the principal source of revenue of the city, but by no means the only one.

Reference to the annual report published recently shows that considerably more than $20,000 of past due taxes were collected last year; that the interest on daily bank balances amounted to $19,696; that departmental collections, licenses and privileges and various other items are listed as having brought in revenues of $147,668; that front foot collections amounted to $111,712.

The statement of revenue receipts made out for 1918 by the city clerk, in fact, shows that the city handled funds from all sources, including bonds, the taxes turned over to the schools, the Cossitt Library, the parks and for sinking fund and interest, a total of $4,325,336.

With approximately $300,000 more revenue in sight from the regular channels of assessment on a $2 tax rate, and with the proceeds of a $200,000 bond issue for use in paving streets, making a half million of additional revenue this year, to say nothing of the prospect of increased collections from licenses and privileges of probably not less than $100,000 additional, members of the tax rate committee are of the opinion that the city could reasonably be expected to make both ends meet quite comfortably without increasing the rate to $2.20.

It has been stated repeatedly that the tax rate committee has found that the force of employes seems to have much more than kept pace with the growth of the city. No statement has been given out by any member of the committee, but it is known that a subcommittee has been working on the payrolls of every department, and that it has been found that in scores of instances there seems no pressing necessity for the services of many of the persons whose names are on the monthly payrolls.

The committee report, as to the city, can not be prepared for at least another week. The tax rate ordinance, which is awaiting final passage, will be held up until next Tuesday.

REYNOLDS' CHANCE TO RECOVER IMPROVES

Displaying more vitality than Jess Willard will need in order properly to celebrate the Fourth, Jimmy Reynolds, deputy sheriff, shot through the stomach Saturday by the negro, Joe Turner, who was killed by four bullets from Mr. Reynolds' pistol, was considered improved Tuesday at the Baptist hospital. He spent a fairly comfortable night and from every indication he gave promise of recovering from the terrible wounds he received. Attending surgeons Tuesday believed that he had more than an even chance to live.

TWO FILE SUITS.

Suit to get judgment for $800, which he alleges is due on a note, was filed in chancery court Monday afternoon by A. Simon, against Thomas E. Acklen. The bill also asks interest on $800 from February, 1917.

Perel & Lowenstein filed suit against John Hunter for $857.62, which they allege is due on notes, money advanced, good and merchandise delivered. The sum includes interest.

Leo Goodman and Auvergne Williams are attorneys for the complainants in each case.

REFUSES COMMUTATION.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 24.—Gov. Lowden this morning denied the application for commutation of sentence in the case of Earl Dear, on recommendation of the division of pardons and paroles. The supreme court has set the date for Dear's execution on June 27.

START R. R. LAW WORK.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—First definite steps looking to the drafting of general railroad legislation was taken today by the senate interstate commerce committee in authorizing a subcommittee, headed by Chairman Cummins, to draft a tentative bill.

The band from the U. S. S. Recruit will give daily concerts at noon in Court square during the visit of the U-boats and anti-submarine flotilla's visit to Memphis.

At night concerts and moving pictures of life in the navy will be the Court square program.

Baseball games with local teams will be scheduled as soon as the fleet arrives.

Entertainment by Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanians, Rotarians, War Community Service workers and others, time of these affairs being contingent upon the arrival of the vessels.

UB-88 open for inspection 9 o'clock a.m. until 5 p.m. at the foot of Trainor avenue. Other vessels will be open to visitors at the same hour as soon as they arrive.

FEAR GERMANS MAY NOT LIVE UP TO TERMS OF TREATY

LONDON, June 24.—Profound distrust of Germany is the predominant note in London press comment on the German government's decision to sign the treaty of peace. It is contended the Germans proved themselves treacherous throughout the war, the latest instance being the sinking of their interned fleet in Scapa Flow, and, therefore, it would be premature to celebrate peace until the treaty is actually signed. Even afterward, it is said, the allies must be continually on guard until the last penalty is paid.

The Herald, a socialist organ, says: "Germany cannot and will not keep the treaty, because it is based on force instead of justice."

CLEMENCEAU TO RESIGN WHEN TREATY IS FIXED

PARIS, June 24.—Premier Clemenceau has expressed his intention to resign from office as soon as the treaty is promulgated, feeling he has accomplished the task for which he assumed the premiership, says Marcel Hutin in the Echo de Paris. It is expected parliament will ratify the treaty late in July.

Work on the Austrian peace treaty was resumed by the council of three today. The completion of the document to be presented the Austrian delegates is desired as speedily as possible and work on it is expected to be pushed energetically. In this process financial experts were called before the council at today's session.

Premier Clemenceau will go to Versailles this morning to make final arrangements for the signing of the treaty with Germany.

In such headlines as "really peace at last" does the press of Paris express its relief at the formal end of the great war. Editorial writers embroider their text with comments in keeping with the principles professed by their respective newspapers, but none of the writers is entirely jubilant. Underlying all the comment is the feeling that the task which lies ahead is almost equal to that of winning the war.

"The task," says Alfred Capus, in the Figaro, "is not above the strength of this nation which comes out of the war with a prestige that remains only to be converted into prosperity."

HUN SIGNER REFUSES TO AFFIX HIS NAME

WEIMAR, June 24. (By the Associated Press.)—Dr. Haniel von Haimhausen, who was on Sunday designated as the German representative to sign the treaty of peace, has telegraphed his resignation from Versailles rather than attach his name to the instrument.

NEW ITALIAN PEACE DELEGATION NAMED

ROME, June 24.—The new Italian delegation to the peace conference, it is announced, will leave here Wednesday and expects to arrive in Paris in time to sign the treaty of peace with Germany. The delegation is composed of Foreign Minister Tittoni and three senators, Vittorio Scialcia, Guglielmo Marconi and Maggorino Ferraris. Marquis Georgio Guglielmo, a member of the chamber of deputies, will be secretary of the delegation.

SAY MUELLER WILL BE HEAD OF HUN ENVOYS

PARIS, June 24.—Herman Mueller, new German foreign secretary, will head the German delegation to sign the peace treaty, La Liberte says. The Germans probably will arrive at Versailles Wednesday morning.

Premier Clemenceau, President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George visited the palace at Versailles this afternoon to inspect arrangements for the ceremony of signing the peace treaty.

The supreme blockade council met today to decide on a date when the blockade of Germany should be lifted. One element, it is understood, favors the day when the treaty is ratified, but it is believed the council probably will decide to lift the blockade with the signing of the treaty.

C. W. RICHMOND DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Charles W. Richmond, aged 67, Confederate soldier, died Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the General hospital, where he was taken only a few days ago, following a third stroke of paralysis. Mr. Richmond had resided nearly all his life in Memphis. He served as a boy in the Confederate army, being one of the scouts attached to Gen. Forrest's cavalry.

He suffered a stroke of paralysis nearly two years ago and had been an invalid since. He had a second stroke about a year ago and had seemingly almost recovered his normal health until about two weeks ago. He spent the past year with his son, Walter Richmond, in Chicago, but returned to Memphis two weeks ago to visit relatives.

Mrs. Richmond is in Gainesville, Fla. She was notified of his death by telegraph. No funeral arrangements will be made until she has been heard from.

Mr. Richmond leaves one daughter, Eloise, of New York, and four sons, Walter and Paul, of Chicago, Charles C., of Seattle, Wash., and Hubert, of Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. Richmond had many warm friends among the older residents of Memphis. He was a man of kindly nature who made friends readily. Besides his widow and children, he has a number of other relatives in Memphis. During his active life he did much work as a civil engineer and draughtsman.

MISSISSIPPI TEACHERS DEMAND BETTER PAY

JACKSON, Miss., June 24. (Spl.)—All candidates for the Mississippi legislature have received letters from the Mississippi Teachers' association asking their support in behalf of the campaign to secure better salaries for teachers.

The association is putting the question squarely up to the candidates, asking that they reply, stating whether or not they favor better salaries.

"Already many candidates have voluntarily written us stating that they favor the campaign," says President Frederick Mellen, "and we hope and believe that the indorsement will be practically unanimous."

GOOD JOB OPEN.

To fill the vacancy of typist and stenographer at Muscle Shoals, Ala., a civil service examination will be held at the customhouse July 8. The position is open to both men and women applicants. The place pays $1,500 to start with good chances for promotion.

Sergt. Brinkley Fund Continues To Hold Public Attention

The people of Memphis and the friends of the late Sergt. John G. Brinkley in the surrounding territory are not willing that the heroism that brought his untimely and lamented death shall pass without some fitting testimonial of their appreciation for the example he set for all that an officer should be.

Tuesday the fund for his widow and two fatherless little girls amounted to $1,777.75.

One letter containing $2.50 cash was from "a friend of 'ching,' the newsboy." Last week "Ching" sent $2.50 earned by selling papers overtime. "Chink's friend says he "knew Sergt. Bringley and he was kind to everybody" and he wants to have a part in the fund.

A. H. Watson, of the Peabody hotel, with a check for contributions raised at the Peabody writes: "In appreciation of the services rendered the public by the late Sergt. John Brinkley who fell in discharge of his duty as a public official of the city of Memphis and with the love and sympathy extended to the widow and children left to mourn the loss of father and husband, the enclosed check for $114.25 is herewith handed you to be added to the fund being raised for Mrs. Brinkley and her children. The above is given at the Peabody hotel. Trusting you will receive more checks for this worthy cause."

J. Summerfield, desiring as usual to have a part in a worthy enterprise, with his check, expresses the hope that the people will continue to support this worthy cause.

Others desiring to contribute may send checks to the John G. Brinkley Fund, in care of The News Scimitar.

Contributions already received are as follows:

Previously acknowledged	$1,621.00
J. Summerfield	25.00
Arthur Seessel	5.00
C. E. Chapleau	5.00
J. J. Bach	5.00
"Ching's" Friend	2.50
B. S. Parker	10.00
T. J. Jackson	5.00
A. H. Watson	5.00
A. Marchey	5.00
G. T. Minitch	2.00
W. J. Marshall	1.00
Jhn Boyd	1.00
L. J. Fopplano	1.00
W. H. Durell	3.00
Phil Vanni	1.00
Tom Naylor	1.00
Emil Smid	2.00
P. G. McLain	1.00
W. P. Day	2.00
Mrs. Anna Sprecher	1.00
Mrs. A. N. Bullitt	2.00
M. M. Phillips	1.00
F. A. Grimning	1.00
Louis Black	1.00
J. J. McShane	1.00
H. C. Bamberger	1.00
W. R. Jones	1.00
Will Farley	5.00
John Pertus	1.00
J. E. Crenshaw	5.00
John Brennan	5.00
J. T. Lilder	2.00
J. H. Schorfe	1.00
W. E. Briggs	1.00
T. G. James	10.00
Cash	2.00
T. E. Salmon	10.00
J. M. Johnson	1.00
T. L. Clauhton	1.00
Albert Searcey	1.00
M. M. Moore	1.00
E. Cobb	1.00
C. E. Young	1.00
Cash	7.00
H. F. W.	5.00
C. L. Stringfellow	1.00
T. H. Millikin	3.00
F. T. Hodgson, Jr.	1.00
Cash	25
Total	$1,777.75

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Phillips $25 (contribution to minor children of Mrs. Brinkley, held as a separate fund.)

DETECTIVE FAILS TO PROSECUTE COUPLE

On accusations preferred by J. B. King, detective at the Hotel Chisca, Hugh Johnson, 25 years old, and his bride of a few days, Mrs. Daisy Johnson, 20 years old, St. Louis, Mo., were arrested by Policemen Brownlee and Bailey and taken to the central police office late Saturday. When their trial was called in the police court Monday King failed to appear and the young couple was dismissed.

King had told the police, they say, that the woman was guilty of misconduct in the hotel. A marriage certificate, showing that Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were married at Poplar Bluff, Mo., June 19, was exhibited to the court. They had come to Memphis for their honeymoon.

DIES IN FRANCE.

NEWBERN, Tenn., June 24. (Spl.)—A telegram from the war department at Washington, D. C., was received by relatives at Yorkville, eight miles east of Newbern, yesterday afternoon, announcing the death of Luther Williams, a prominent young farmer of Gibson county, who fell on the battlefields in France early last fall. Young Williams was given up as dead early in the spring of 1918, when word arrived from Washington stating that he was severely wounded, and a number of months later a letter was received stating that he was en route to the firing line. Later the casualty list reported that he was missing in action, and then word arrived announcing that he was dead. He was perhaps the first Gibson county boy to land in France and went through many stiff fights and was the first to fall from that county.

OPTOMETRY BOARD MEETS

Eight applicants for state licenses to practice took the examination before the Tennessee state board of optometry Monday when the board held a session in the Peabody hotel. The board members present were H. W. Liggette, president, Memphis; C. C. Breese, secretary, Franklin; O. H. Williams, Dickson, and I. L. Grady, Jackson.

The board reaffirmed its intention to prosecute any and all violators of the optometry law.

THE WORLD OUTLOOK

(By the Associated Press.)

The signing of the peace treaty with Germany probably will take place Thursday, it is indicated in Paris advices today. There is some doubt about the date as yet, however, because of lack of word from Germany regarding her new representation at Versailles. Dr. Haniel von Haimhausen, who was named as plenipotentiary to sign the treaty, has telegraphed his resignation to Weimar.

President Wilson has ordered the transport George Washington to be held in readiness at Brest for his departure for home. He has agreed, it is said, to remain in Paris until the treaty has been signed. Final arrangements for the ceremony are being made at Versailles by Premier Clemenceau, president of the peace conference, who has announced his intention to resign the premiership as soon as the treaty is ratified.

Work on the Austrian treaty was resumed by the representatives of the great powers in Paris today and their intention of hurrying the document to completion is evident. The council has referred the question of the sinking of the German ships in Scapa Flow to a commission for determination as to whether the armistice conditions were violated by the Germans' act.

Tommaso Tittoni, the new foreign minister of Italy, will be the leading Italian delegate at the peace conference, according to advices from Rome. It is said that declarations he has made do not reflect any disposition on his part to recede from the position taken by former Premier Orlando and Foreign Minister Sonnino as to Italian claims on the eastern shore of the Adriatic.

Mason's Resignation Is In Mayor Monteverde's Hands

Mayor Monteverde is supposed to have in his hands for possible use at the city commission meeting Tuesday afternoon, the official resignation of A. D. Mason as commissioner of finance in the city government. Mr. Mason is in New York and mailed the document to the mayor.

With Quinn and the mayor in easy agreement as to Mr. Mason's successor and Messrs. Miller and Goodman against them and with the mayor possessed of two votes in case of a tie, it would look easy for the Monteverde-Quinn choice to be named and then for Quinn to be made police commissioner; but still there is a chance for some fine political jockeying before the vacancy is filled. Messrs. Miller and Goodman say that they want some good representative man agreed upon as the successor.

LOVER SUES FOR PRESENTS AFTER GIRL JILTS HIM

A. E. Gibson Charges Miss Courtney Brennan Has Failed to Return $900 Worth of Jewerly, Etc.

That the course of true love never did run smoothly seems to be aptly illustrated in the case of A. E. Gibson, said to be an employe of the N. C. & St. L. railroad. Gibson has been twice engaged to the same girl, and twice the engagement has been broken, according to allegations made in an application for a writ of replevin he filed in chancery court Tuesday.

Gibson seeks to recover diamonds and other valuables which he alleges the lady who was his intended is "unlawfully detaining" from him. The value of the jewelry and other articles is estimated by Gibson at between $800 and $900.

The lady in the case is Miss Courtney Brennan, said to be employed at a local motion picture film exchange.

Gibson's list of presents given to his fiancee, which he now seeks to recover, includes the following: Dinner ring, value $200; engagement ring, value $290; small diamond ring, value $75; card case, value $30; victrola, value $115; records, $35; cedar chest, value $20, and cash $25. He alleges other gifts were given, but he does not set them out in his application for the writ.

Gibson's courtship was stormy, according to the declaration. He says he and Miss Brennan agreed to marry on March 10, 1918. He alleges the engagement was broken on Nov. 11, 1918. The presents were all returned to him, he alleges.

On Nov. 25, 1918, about two weeks after the estrangement, they again became engaged, he alleges. He returned the presents to her, he alleges. Then again the rocky road toward matrimony jolted their love cart, and on Feb. 9, 1919, the engagement again was terminated, he alleges.

Gibson alleges that on Feb. 15, 1919, he asked Miss Brennan to return the presents, but that to date he has not received them.

Israel Peres, chancellor, ordered a writ of replevin to issue, and the case will be set for hearing in the near future.

Gibson is represented by A. B. Galloway and A. A. Hornsby, attorneys.

JACKSON TRACTION PLANT SOLD BY COURT ORDER

JACKSON, Miss., June 24.—The property of the Jackson Light and Traction company was sold today under order of the Federal bankruptcy court, and purchased by M. H. Grossman, of Milwaukee.

Mr. Grossman's bid was $5,000, subject to all liens and encumbrances. First mortgage bonds outstanding total $930,000 and second mortgage bonds amount to $216,000, a grand total of $1,146,000.

PHONE MEN MEET.

CHICAGO, June 24.—The fourth annual convention of the United States Independent Telephone association opened here today and will continue throughout Thursday. The association represents approximately five million telephones in the United States and 1,500 delegates are in attendance.

PASS BEER BILL.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 24.—The Ramsey house bill, permitting the brewing and selling of beer containing 2¾ per cent alcohol, was passed finally by the senate today by a vote of 29 to 19.

New Clew To Cyclops Found

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 24.—Another of the many clews to the lost collier Cyclops—all of which so far have been exploded—turned up here today when the mother of Otis Ramsey, a seaman on the ship, received a telegram from New York saying he was "safe in this country again" and that the missing vessel was in a German port.

The navy records show that Otis Ramsey, of Columbia, was a seaman on the Cyclops, and he is listed as "lost at sea" with the ship. The navy, however, knows of nothing that would clear up the mystery.

Officials think the message probably a hoax, but as they expect to solve the mystery some day they are carefully looking up every clew.

WARSHIP SINKING GIVEN TO EXPERTS

Council of Three Decides on Action as Result of Hun Treachery.

PARIS, June 24.—The council of three has referred the question relative to the sinking of the German fleet in Scapa Flow to a commission of experts, which will determine whether the armistice conditions were violated.

SINKINGS GIVE BRITAIN GREAT NAVAL PROBLEM

WASHINGTON, June 24.—American naval officers say as a result of the sinking of the German fleet in Scapa Flow, Great Britain faces a choice of attempting one of the most extensive and costly salvaging operations in history, or losing the use of a valuable part of the country's most important naval base. The concensus of opinion here was that an attempt would be made to raise the larger ships, at least so as to clear the channel.

HUN ADMIRAL WILL BE TRIED BY COURT-MARTIAL

LONDON, June 24.—Admiral von Reuter, in command of the German fleet scuttled and sunk in the Scapa Flow, will be court-martialed for having broken the armistice conditions, says the Daily Mail. The newspaper adds that the details of the trial of the admiral will be arranged by the allied council in Paris.

The German admiralty denies a rumor in circulation today in Paris and elsewhere that the Germans had sunk the remainder of their warships in German harbors.

ELEVEN JURORS CHOSEN IN GHOLSTON HEARING

Eleven jurors had been selected Tuesday in the case of Hamp Gholston, negro, on trial for killing Ike Levy, South Main street jeweler, May 31, 1919.

Of a special venire of 200 men ordered to report in First criminal court Tuesday morning, only about 40 were located and reported.

So rapidly were the talesmen excused because of their expressed aversion to sending a man to the electric chair that Judge J. Ed Richards ordered another special venire of 200 men to report Wednesday morning.

Gholston is represented by the public defender, Lawrence Monteverde. W. T. McLain, assistant attorney-general, is prosecuting for the state.

KIDS SEEKING PRIZES LEARN TO MAKE KITES

Schools for kitemaking are springing up around Memphis and kids are learning how to make kites of ingenious pattern in efforts to win one of the attractive prizes offered through The News Scimitar in the contest to be held at Hodges field, Jefferson avenue and Somerville street, on the morning of July 4.

Some of the more ambitious boys are seeking advice from members of the Chinese colony for the Celestial, you know, is an expert constructor in the art of making fancy kites. There will be a prize of $15 for the most beautiful kite and other prizes of $5 and $1 each for those who don't get the very first. A prize of $10 for the most cleverly made kite will be given and other consolation awards in this class.

The $35 prize for the highest flyer, however, is attracting the greatest attention. On fair afternoons between now and the Fourth, town lots will be spotted with boys and girls with twine balls in their hands and aircraft of varied pattern will float far above the housetops.

The Kite editor will assist in giving suggestions and explaining rules of the contest to any boy or girl who will write or call at the office of the Kite Editor, News Scimitar.

K-5 AND U-BOAT READY FOR VISITORS BELOW THE BRIDGES

Submarines Will Carry Out Program and Await Arrival of Destroyer Isabel Still Aground Above Cairo.

It will fall to the lot of the K-5, the United States submarine flagship of the antisubmarine flotilla on its mission of recruiting in the Mississippi river, to vie with to former mortal foe the German UB-88 to entertan visitors and reveal to those seeking information the intricacies of battle under and on the surface of the sea.

The K-5 under command of Thomas G. Berrien, Lieut. Commander and senior officer of the antisubmarine flotilla was due in the Memphis harbor early Tuesday afternoon. She left Cairo at 8 o'clock Monday morning. She will tie up at the foot of Illinois avenue, below the two bridges near the sombre hulk of the Hun boat at the foot of Trainor avenue. A modified program is being arranged for the visit of the two submarines as the Isabel, the biggest boat in the flotilla, is still aground 13 miles above Cairo and may not be refloated for several days. One subchaser accompanies the K-5 while the revenue coast defense cutter Tuscarora accompanied the UB-88 in its voyage up the Mississippi river from the Naval station at Key West, Fla.

The accident to the Isabel and the continued rapid fall of the river may cut short the visit of the entire flotilla which will set sail late in the week for the return trip from Memphis to Key West.

Plans for trips aboard the K-5 by city officials and others were being made Tuesday. Several dives will be made below the surface of the river.

The German submarine will be open for inspection during its visit between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m.

The voyage up the river has been a slow one, according to Lieut. Commander J. L. Nelson, skipper of the undersea boat. Accompanied by the Cutter Tuscarora, she left Helena at 8 o'clock Monday morning and reached the Memphis wharf at 7:30 Monday evening. The mud was too deep to tie up at the wharf, so the U-boat was made fast to a pair of barges near the foot of Illinois and Trainor avenues.

Once after leaving Helena the submersible went aground on a submerged towhead but she was only delayed half an hour, extricating herself by the use of her own engines and negotiated the rest of the voyage in safety. The boat draws 16 feet of water and in consequence will not completely submerge during her visit at the Memphis water front.

UB-88 is a small ocean going type of U-boat submarines, carrying one gun, 18 torpedoes and a crew of about 30 officers and men. During the submarine warfare she was commanded by Kaptainlieutenant von Rabanau. She probably did her trials in February and March, 1918, but did not leave Germany until the first week in June of that year.

She was surrendered at Harwich, Nov. 27, with the other of the German navy and when the apportionment of surrendered submersibles among the allies took place she was sent to the United States.

Refitted with an American crew headed by her present commander the voyage across the Atlantic was made in company with four other similar craft, the trip covering 22 days.

The UB-88 after her cruise down the Mississippi river is completed, will continue on a cruise which is said to be the longest one ever planned for a submarine boat.

After leaving Key West the UB-88 will head directly for the Panama canal. She will run through this waterway to Corinto, Nicaragua, thence to Manzanillo, Mexico, and on up the Pacific coast to San Diego, San Francisco, Portland and Tacoma. Reaching her northernmost objective the boat will turn back and make harbor at San Pedro, Cal., where she will be dismantled and will be used for experimental purposes. The whole cruise including the trip down from New York will be more than 6,000 miles.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE INTO DRUGGISTS' TRUST

JACKSON, Miss., June 24.—Thirty of the leading physicians of Jackson received subpoenas this morning to appear before the Hinds county grand jury to give testimony concerning the alleged existence of a trust and combine among the retail druggists of this city.

The grand jury has received complaints that the prices charged for filling prescriptions of physicians are excessive, even taking fully into consideration the heavy advance in the wholesale prices for drugs during the past two years; that exorbitant prices are also being charged for sundries and toilet goods usually carried by retail drug stores.

KIWANIANS PLANNING AFFAIR FOR SAILORS

The Kiwanis club will give a dinner and dance to the officers of the United States antisubmarine flotilla and the officers of the captive German submarine and her convoy, the U. S. S. Tuscarora, at the Hotel Gayoso Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

In announcing the dance, Louis J. Moss, president of the club, stated that invitations to the dance had been issued to the mayor and other public officials, the officers and directors of the Chamber of Commerce and their wives and the officers of Park field and their wives.

Several cabaret numbers will be given for the entertainment of the guests.

MILLINGTON ORGANIZES YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETY

The young people of the Methodist church at Millington have organized an Epworth League society with 20 charter members. Miss Blanch Sigler is president.

A party of Epworth Leaguers from Memphis assisted in the organization, including W. R. Brown, conference secretary and president of the city union; Miss Eva Mae Bowman, conference junior superintendent; Misses Josephine and Ruth Hess, of the Washington Heights church, and Miss Irene Holt, of Milan.

This is the only young people's society in Millington, and the young people of the other local churches are invited to take part in the League work.

400 ALIEN ENEMIES ARE TO BE DEPORTED

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 24.—Four hundred enemy aliens interned at Fort Oglethorpe will be repatriated and under a heavy guard sent to Charleston, S. C., tomorrow, where they will at once embark for Germany. None of the celebrities confined will be in this batch, most of them being sailors from various interned ships.