

SECOND ARREST IN MER ROUGE CASE

Bastrop, La., Dec. 27.—Justice Department agents and state representatives today renewed their activities in the Morehouse kidnaping case. The efforts to run down persons responsible for dynamiting the lake, resulting in the finding of the bodies of Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards who were kidnaped by a masked mob last August, are being intensified. Additional arrests are believed imminent. Detectives reported that they located the place where the dynamite was sold, and some suspects are being watched.

The arrest in Baltimore of former Mayor McKoin of Mer Rouge caused considerable excitement. The people gathered in groups to discuss developments. J. A. Sylvester, of Bastrop, today issued a statement expressing doubt that the bodies found were those of Daniels and Richards. He said the services of 500 Klansmen have been offered to clear up the mystery.

Bastrop, La., Dec. 26.—The second arrest in connection with the Morehouse kidnaping was made late today when Dr. B. M. McKoin, until a few months ago mayor of Mer Rouge, was taken in custody at Baltimore at the request of Governor Parker, who charged him with murder. The physician was taken a postgraduate course at Johns Hopkins.

The former mayor is expected to reach here within a few days to join a former deputy sheriff, who is now being held on the similar charge in the Bastrop jail. While the arrest was being made, a detachment of National Guard was reconnoitering along Lake La Fourche for evidence to lead to the arrest of dynamiters responsible for the blasting at a ferry landing last week when the bodies of two men, believed to have been tortured and murdered by masked and robed men, were blown from the bottom of the lake.

The company also was to act as a bodyguard for the sheriff who was to make arrests in the event his suspicions justified them. During the day Adjutant General Toombs, suddenly called back from Washington by the governor, arrived in Morehouse to direct the operations of the three companies of state troops encamped here and at Mer Rouge. It was persistently reported during the day that all preparations had been made to call out two additional state companies if conditions warranted.

Soldiers are on guard duty at the jail here and encamped in the heart of Mer Rouge, where the situation is such that the governor does not want to leave the townspeople to themselves in the fear there will be bloodshed because of the friction among them following the August event. Many of the populace are armed. The military also was at the disposal of the civil authorities to take in custody any members of the hooded mob whose identity are known to the state authorities, according to department of justice men.

Attorney General Cocco stated that six or seven arrests will be made before the open hearing January 5.

It is reported the number of arrests will be increased as the identity of the dynamiters are established. Federal agents declare they have the name of the ring leader and his arrest is imminent.

Attorney General Cocco is expected to arrive at New Orleans tomorrow in preparation for the conference there Thursday, at which time plans for the hearing will be outlined and the reports of the coroner's jury that conducted the inquest over the headless bodies of Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards will be discussed.

Citizens were gathered on the street corners tonight discussing the arrest of two of their former law officials. The arrest of the man who had been their mayor until he resigned last August came as a complete surprise. Dr. McKoin was born and grew to manhood at Monroe and later moved to Mer Rouge where he was a practicing physician. His friends induced him to make the race for mayor and during his incumbency he fearlessly upheld the law and attempted to rid the community of moonshiners and other lawbreakers, it was said.

On August 2 he reported assassins fired two loads of shot into his moving automobile as he was answering a sick call. He later received persistent warning to leave the community and he did so. This event led to the tragedy of the 24th, is the theory of the states.

T. J. Burnett, arrested last Saturday, is denied visitors except under military surveillance. Today he grew sullen and restless and repeatedly gripped the iron bars in which he is inclosed. His battery of attorneys spent several hours with him. It was recalled here tonight that four murders have been charged to hooded men since last May along the Arkansas-Louisiana border.

At Wilmot, Ark., E. L. Gillis, a farmer, was lured from his home, shot to death and his body burned. After

STRIKES SNAG AT CONFERENCE

Lausanne, Dec. 26.—(By the Associated Press).—Armenia was the storm center of the Near East conference today. The Turks refused to attend a meeting of the subcommittee which had arranged to hear the plea of the Armenians for the establishment of a national home in Turkey, and both Ismet Pasha and Elias Nur Bey sent strongly worded communications to the conference protesting against the decision to allow the Armenians to state their case. They declared that if the Armenians who had no official standing and represented no independent government, were heard by the conference, there would be no reason why the Egyptians or the Irish should not be allowed to present their demands.

The so-called irregular Egyptian delegation has been waiting in Lausanne for more than a month for permission to be heard by the conference and voice a demand for the independence of Egypt and complete withdrawal of the British army. In consequence the Turkish protest was postponed and the representatives of the inviting powers, Great Britain, France and Italy, sitting alone, listening to the Armenian spokesman, who suggested that a home be established in the northeast vilayets of Turkey, which should include historic Mount Ararat or a section in Cilicia. It was impossible, he declared, for the proposed Armenian home to amalgamate with the Armenian republic of Erivan, which had been taken over by the Moscow soviets. The Armenians would willingly accept the same relationship with Turkey as the dominions with England. In conclusion he asked for exemption from military service for the Armenians and urged maintenance of the orthodox patriarch in Constantinople.

Praise for Buster Hodge A party was passing through Union on their way to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in a distant state and the boys in the family got out of the train and began to look for their football. "All aboard" just as the football rolled on the other side of the track. Buster Hodge saw the predicament and told the boys he would get it for them, but the train would not wait for that. A couple of days later the chief of police got a letter from the father stating the facts and said, "A nice, big, fat policeman with a kind smile" offered to take care of the prized football and he requested it mailed to him at the address enclosed. It turned out that the writer of the letter was an old school mate of editor of The Times and he gladly packed the ball for shipment. Politeness never did cost anything and Buster Hodge is sure to hear more about this kind deed in the future.

Much Moving and Changing of Base

There is a great deal of moving and changing from one place to another in this county. Every day wagons and trucks loaded with household goods are seen moving from one part of the county to the other. People always will cling to the idea that a little better country is just over yonder, a little better house, or orchard or school or nearer the church, or nearer town. Anyway there is a vast lot of it going on in Union county.

Miss Mary Oliphant has returned from Gaffney where she spent the holidays with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Oliphant spent Christmas with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Oliphant, in Chester.

his death the Louisiana-Arkansas law and order league was formed to secure evidence in the case but no arrests were made. The league was said to have been made up of 5,000 citizens of the two states and recently disbanded. The kidnaping of five prominent Mer Rouge citizens on a highway last August is believed to have resulted in the death of Daniels and Richards. Two others were severely flogged and J. L. Daniels, 70 year old father of Watt Daniels, was at the point of death for several weeks because of the cruelties inflicted upon him. The Smackover invasion, the third event of the year, occurred last month and resulted in the death of J. I. Woods, 25, a Mississippian. He was riddled with shot after he had fired on a party of several hundred masked and white "sheeted" men who marched into the new oil field of south Arkansas to clean out the undesirable. One man was flogged and a gambling house, a two-story frame structure, torn down. An exodus of more than 2,000 people from the region resulted. Officials made no effort to learn the identity of the mob as far as is known.

Miss Estelle Mathis, of Warsaw, N. C., is spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Mathis. Mrs. L. W. Blackwelder and daughters, Misses Kathrin and Madeline Blackwelder, left yesterday for Salisbury, N. C., to visit relatives for a few days. Dr. Russell Jeter, of Raleigh, N. C., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jeter, near Sandusky. Mrs. P. E. Bobo was called to Paconlet this morning on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. M. W. Brown.

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TUG BRINGS IN BODY OF SAILOR

Erie, Pa., Dec. 26.—The body of Mike Paytoosh, a member of the crew of the missing tug Cornell of Cleveland, was brought into port here late today by the tug Q. A. Gilmore. The face was scalded and marine men said the Cornell went to the bottom carrying the seven other members of the crew after a boiler explosion.

Cleveland, Dec. 26.—With the finding today of the life boat and the corpse of one of the eight members of the crew of the tug Cornell, which disappeared Thursday, the mystery surrounding the exact fate of the Cornell remains unsolved. Search for the vessel and the other members of the crew will be continued tomorrow. The life boat containing the body of Michael Paytoosh, fireman of the Cornell, was found on the Canadian side of Lake Erie by the searching tug Q. A. Gilmore. The body, covered in ice, was lying face down and frozen to the planks of the life boat's bottom. Ice coated the rest of the hull. In order to remove the body it was necessary to saw off one of the seats of the yawl. In this mite trace there was nothing to indicate definitely whether the tug sank after a boiler exploded, burned, ran foul of heavy ice floes or foundered in a heavy sea.

Scores of motor boats and tugs and a mail steamer which conducted a search along the American shore of the lake returned late today without having found any trace of the craft. It was thought a seaman aboard the Gilmore had solved the mystery as the face of Paytoosh was badly marked. These scars were at first believed to have been the result of scalding but were later said by an undertaker in Erie to be probable bruises and the after math of bitter cold weather. This added to the mystery as local marine men declared they are at a loss to determine what happened to the tug after it was said the merrymen on Paytoosh's face were not caused by scalding. A federal investigation into the disappearance of the tug will be started tomorrow. Capt. Thomas W. ... in the Cleveland district, said tonight that rumors as to the unseaworthiness of the Cornell will be thoroughly investigated.

Early today a policeman was found on the water front unconscious. He was removed to a hospital. When the hospital report reached police headquarters it was signed by Dr. McKoin. It was then that local newspaper men rushed to the hospital and interviewed him. Up to that time the telegram from Governor Parker asking for his arrest had not been received. Dr. McKoin spoke freely and insisted he was not a fugitive from justice, and that he had made no attempt to conceal his identity. He stated he has been in Baltimore since October 1, and had left Mer Rouge after an attempt had been made to assassinate him.

PERSONAL MENTION

Miss Nelle Curles of Spartanburg will spend part of the Christmas holidays with friends in Union. Luke J. Wilburn, of Jacksonville, Fla., visited relatives here this week. Miss Alice Arthur left yesterday for Columbia and Camden to visit college friends and enjoy the festivities planned for her at both cities. Lieut. J. Miller Arthur, U. S. N., has returned to Washington after a holiday visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Arthur. Mrs. F. O. Barrett of Spartanburg is visiting her mother, Mrs. N. K. Parker.

Hendon Thomson of New Orleans, La., is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thomson, for the Christmas vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Elias Prileau and Mrs. James Munro will return this week from a holiday visit to relatives at Eutawville. Mrs. Clarence Johnson and little daughter of Greensboro, N. C., are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sexton, on N. Church street. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cureton and children will return to their home in Ashanta, Ga., this week after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McDow. Miss Miriam Jennings of Charlotte, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. G. H. Oetzell for the holiday vacation. Misses Minnie and Sadie Scofield of Davidson, N. C., Mrs. H. S. Adams and children of Chester, S. C., and Charles Clifford of New York city, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Oetzell for the holidays. S. Fram of Chester is visiting relatives here this week. Mrs. T. G. Cooksey of Clifton and Mrs. A. S. Cantrell of Inman, arrived yesterday for a visit to their sister, Mrs. R. E. White. George Sawyer of Atlanta is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sawyer. Mrs. David Elbert, of Millen, N. J., is the guest of relatives in Union this week. Miss Estelle Mathis, of Warsaw, N. C., is spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Mathis. Mrs. L. W. Blackwelder and daughters, Misses Kathrin and Madeline Blackwelder, left yesterday for Salisbury, N. C., to visit relatives for a few days. Dr. Russell Jeter, of Raleigh, N. C., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jeter, near Sandusky. Mrs. P. E. Bobo was called to Paconlet this morning on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. M. W. Brown.

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Flu is Raging in Union

There are hundreds of cases of flu in Union and the county and in some instances nearly the whole family is in bed. The physicians claim that it is a milder type than formerly but it is not expressed so by the ones who have it. The physicians and drug stores have been working over time and working hard with no holiday at all to relieve the suffering.

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Opposition to the Borah Amendment

Washington, Dec. 27.—Over a score of Republican senators in informal conference today decided to oppose the Borah amendment to the naval appropriation bill asking the president to call an international, economic and disarmament conference.

DR. MCKOIN DENIES PART IN KILLING

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—The habeas corpus writ for Dr. B. M. McKoin, former mayor of Mer Rouge, La., who was arrested here on the charge of murder, was issued today by Chief Judge Gorter of the city court. Dr. McKoin was arrested on instructions of the Louisiana governor. He declared he was innocent and would fight extradition. The telegram from Governor Parker said the extradition papers would be forwarded. The police court is asked to hold McKoin for 10 days.

Baltimore, Dec. 26.—Dr. B. M. McKoin, former mayor of Mer Rouge, La., who is wanted there in connection with the Morehouse parish kidnapings and the finding of two mutilated bodies in Lake Fourche, was arrested here today at the Johns Hopkins university-Brady institute, where he is taking a post graduate course. The arrest followed receipt of a telegram from Gov. John M. Parker of Louisiana requesting the local police to arrest McKoin on a charge of murder. After questioning by police officials Dr. McKoin was locked up to await further action by Louisiana authorities. Other than requesting the local authorities to arrest McKoin there was nothing contained in Governor Parker's telegram. It reads: "Important. Arrest Dr. McKoin for murder. Hold him for Louisiana authorities."

Dr. McKoin denied knowledge of the killing of the two men. "All I know," he declared, "is that both men were killed, were on the bad side—the side of bootleggers, gunmen and men who associated with negro women." The discovery of Dr. McKoin here and his subsequent arrest came about purely by accident. Word was received here several days ago that Dr. McKoin was a student at Johns Hopkins and department of justice agents sought to question him. However, university officials denied McKoin was registered as a post graduate, and stated several letters had been received there for him but he failed to locate him the letters were sent near to the postoffice.

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McDaniel-Johnson

Miss Beatrice McDaniel and E. L. Johnson of Kelton were married Saturday evening at 7 o'clock at the bride's home, by Rev. Lewis M. Rice. The ceremony was witnessed by the immediate relatives but hosts of friends unite in wishing for the couple a life filled with happiness and prosperity. Mrs. Johnson is the daughter of Mr. Robert McDaniel and for several years has been a successful teacher in the county. She is a young woman of many admirable qualities of mind and heart. Mr. Johnson is a progressive farmer and is being warmly congratulated upon his good fortune.

Palmer-Whitlock

Miss Janie Palmer and Victor Whitlock were united in marriage, Sunday afternoon, December 24th at the residence of Rev. L. M. Rice, the officiating minister. Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock have the good wishes of hundreds of friends for a long filled with happiness.

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VICTOR ARNOLD FACES CHARGES

Bayside, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Victor H. Arnold of Madison, Wis., former president of the Madison Bond company, was arrested tonight on a federal indictment for using the mails to defraud. The indictment, returned at Madison, December 20, according to the authorities, contained 31 counts.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 26.—Victor H. Arnold, former president of the bankrupt Madison Bond company, who one year ago posed as a beneficent Santa Claus to Madison's needy to the amount of \$30,000, was arrested today in Bayside, N. Y., charged with using the mails to defraud hundreds of small investors. He was indicted by a federal grand jury Wednesday. Thirty-one counts alleging three fraudulent schemes for selling securities are included in the charges. On one of these schemes the indictment says \$618,000 was realized. Arnold began to attract attention locally some years ago when Norma Talmadge, moving picture actress, paid visits to two of his daughters, then dancing students in New York. His home here was the center of several pretentious social functions.

Miss Lucile Abernethy, pianist at the Gipsy Smith, Jr., meeting, will leave Thursday evening after the service for Lenoir, N. C., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Abernethy. Miss Rose Miller, stenographer for Mr. Smith, will also leave Thursday, going to Savannah, Ga., to be with her grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Owens, and her sister and brother, Miss Faye Miller and Mr. George Miller.

Both are charming young girls and have made many friends in Hattiesburg during their stay here. Miss Abernethy is a gifted pianist and a most sympathetic accompanist. Her playing has added much to the pleasure of the meeting.—Hattiesburg (Miss.) American.

Of Interest Here

Gipsy Smith, Jr., who has been preaching for one month in Hattiesburg, Miss., will begin a series of meetings at Leland, near Greenwood, Miss., on January 7th. In February he will go to Biloxi where preparations for his services already are under way. Gipsy Smith is spending the Christmas holidays with his family at Jackson, where they are spending the winter.

Recommends Change in Tax System

Moscow, Dec. 27 (By the Associated Press).—Acting Commissar of Finance Sokolnikoff yesterday recommended to all the Russian soviet congress that the tax system be changed. He said he thought it best to change to a monetary basis from the present system whereby the peasants pay in farm products. He said he couldn't present the annual budget because of the instability of the ruble.

Mosul Oil Fields Will Not be Abandoned

Lausanne, Dec. 27 (By the Associated Press).—The British, through a letter from Lord Curzon to Ismet Pasha, today informed Turkey that the British are never to abandon the Mosul oil fields as the Turks ask. They declare the prolongation of the Near East conference would fail to induce the British to recede from their position. The letter declares the British expelled the Turks from the area promising the Arabs freedom from the Turkish rule. They have given a solemn promise to bar the foreign powers from the area and intends to keep their word.

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SIX GO TO CHAIR IN PRESENT YEAR

Four white men and two negroes have been electrocuted during the present year, this number of whites establishing a new record for South Carolina death penalty figures. It is the first time since the establishment of the electric chair in 1912 that more white men have been electrocuted in one year than negroes. Although the year is not yet out, no further electrocutions will take place as the only one scheduled between now and 1923 has been stayed by an appeal to the supreme court. William C. Faries, the convicted York county murderer, was originally sentenced to die December 29, but he has appealed to the supreme court and this automatically stays the sentence. Of the six men electrocuted, four were convicted of murder. These were all white. The four were S. J. Kirby, Jesse Gappins, C. O. Fox and Frank M. Jeffords. The list of six and their crimes is as follows: Curtis Franklin, negro, criminal assault, convicted in Aiken and electrocuted February 3; Will Hood, negro, convicted in Greenville of murder, electrocuted April 7; C. O. Fox, S. J. Kirby and Jesse Gappins, all convicted in Lexington of murder, electrocuted June 16; Frank M. Jeffords, convicted of murder in Richland county, electrocuted December 22. Frank M. Jeffords was the 61st man to pay the death penalty by electrocution. The electric chair was established in 1912 and since then 61 men, 54 negroes and seven whites, have been electrocuted. William Reed, negro, convicted in Anderson in 1912 of criminal assault, was the first man to pay the penalty of death by electrocution. He was electrocuted August 6, 1912. Samuel N. Hyde, also of Anderson, was the first white man to be put to death in the chair. He was electrocuted October 1, 1912. Following Hyde the next white man was C. P. Rushing of Chesterfield August 18, 1913, and the next was M. L. Garrett of Lee county July 14, 1913. No other white men were electrocuted for about 150 had been electrocuted since that time. This year, Jeffords was the last to date.

WITH THE SICK

Miss Gilmer Blankenship has been confined to her home on Route 2 with flu, but is improving today. Master Charles Alston has been quite sick with flu, but is very much improved today. Mrs. J. T. Spears and Miss Demarys Spears are confined to their home with a slight attack of flu. Mr. and Mrs. Eller and Miss Fulton Eller are improving from severe cases of flu. Miss Lizzie Gregory is very much improved from a recent attack of flu. Mrs. Manning Jeter has been quite sick at her home at Santuc with flu, but is better today. William McDaniel is very ill at the home of his daughter on Greene street. He had an attack of flu last week and is not recovering as rapidly as his loved ones and friends wish. Mrs. J. Frost Walker and little daughter, Cornelia Greer, have been quite sick for a week or more but both are improving. Wesley Greer continues quite sick at his home on S. Church street. Master Richard Morgan has been seriously ill for several days with pneumonia. Irwin Brennicke, who had a severe attack of flu is improving. Miss Evelyn Wix is sick at her home on S. Church street with flu. Mrs. N. H. Pierce of the Western Union office is confined to her home with flu. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cureton are sick with flu at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McDow. Mr. and Mrs. Davis Gregory of Route 3 have been quite sick with flu, but are improving rapidly. Mrs. Gordon Bishop of Route 2 is quite sick at her home. Mrs. J. M. Salley, who has been quite sick with flu, is improving. R. W. McDow is suffering from an attack of flu. Mrs. Spencer Perrin is confined to her home with an attack of flu.

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Two Burned to Death in Boarding House Fire

Gastonia, N. C., Dec. 27.—John D. Hough and Mack Hopper were burned to death at Bessemer City, near here, last night in a fire that destroyed the boarding house and several other buildings. J. D. Eddings is missing.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

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Four Held in Connection With Robbery of Messengers

New Orleans, Dec. 27.—Two men and two women are being held here in connection with the robbery of five messengers and drovers of the National Bank of Kansas City, in which the highwaymen obtained \$97,000. The men gave their names as George Wilson and Jim Covert, and said the women were their wives. Eighty-three hundred dollars was found in a handbag.

S. C. Crosby and little son are visiting Ellis Crosby, of Jacksonville, Fla.

P. B. Bobo spent the holidays with relatives in Clinton. Miss Isabelle Depass of Columbia will spend the week-end with Capt. and Mrs. F. M. Farr. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Mitchell of Charlotte, N. C., are visitors in Union today. Miss Sara Leake Black of New York city is the guest of college friends in Union this week. In Holland more than 10,000 acres are devoted to the cultivation of bulbs, can be traced back 1800 years.

BOTH HOUSES TO CONVENE SOON

Considerable interest is already being manifested throughout the state in the approaching session of the general assembly. The 1923 session will be fraught with a number of familiar battles, the one big issue of taxation for several years past being in line for plenty of argument next year. The session will begin on the second Tuesday in January, which will be the 9th. However, little work other than reorganizing will take place until after the inaugural ceremonies January 16. Thomas G. McLeod will become governor on the 16th and all other state officials will assume office on that day. The two houses will convene at noon on the 9th with the reorganization work for immediate attention. In the house one of the first matters to be attended to will be the selection of a speaker to succeed J. B. Atkinson of Spartanburg, who did not offer for reelection as a member of the legislature from Spartanburg county. Two candidates are known to be in the race for the speakership.

Begins Erection of Store

Mr. John K. Hamblin has moved his office over the Wonder Store, and has begun the building of a handsome new store with offices located above on the lot upon which his offices have been located. The property will be quite handsome when completed. There will be two stores on the ground floor and a number of offices on the second floor. Mr. Hamblin will occupy some of these upstairs offices and has rented the others to desirable renters. Work is already beginning.

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New Orleans, Dec. 27.—Two men and two women are being held here in connection with the robbery of five messengers and drovers of the National Bank of Kansas City, in which the highwaymen obtained \$97,000. The men gave their names as George Wilson and Jim Covert, and said the women were their wives. Eighty-three hundred dollars was found in a handbag.

S. C. Crosby and little son are visiting Ellis Crosby, of Jacksonville, Fla.

P. B. Bobo spent the holidays with relatives in Clinton. Miss Isabelle Depass of Columbia will spend the week-end with Capt. and Mrs. F. M. Farr. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Mitchell of Charlotte, N. C., are visitors in Union today. Miss Sara Leake Black of New York city is the guest of college friends in Union this week. In Holland more than 10,000 acres are devoted to the cultivation of bulbs, can be traced back 1800 years.