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turn in Congress"IMMEDIATE ADJUSTMENT
OF WAGES ASKED FORProgram of "Deep Cutting Measures"
Outlined by Head of American
Federation Calls For Action To
Prevent Continued Increase in
Cost of Living.

Washington, May 23.—The American Federation of Labor has issued its expected call to the electorate for "an overturn in Congress."

Under the signature of President Samuel Gompers, the current issue of the American Federationist, the official organ, carries indictment of Congress and the executive departments for "ineptness and the cost of living" and outlining a program of "deep cutting measures."

There must be an overturn in Congress. Enemies must be defeated; friends must be elected. Presenting an itemized list of corruption profits, similar to that recently introduced in a speech by Senator Capper, of Kansas, Mr. Gompers declared that while 21 enumerated corporations last year received profits averaging 435 per cent above normal, the average cost of living increased 90 per cent and the average wages 55 per cent. The deep cutting measures which Mr. Gompers writes will be necessary "to guard the nation's distributing machinery against assaults from the pirates of trade and commerce" follow:

"Immediate adjustment of wages, both in private employment and in government service, to at least meet the living costs that have entangled incomes by reason of this era of frenzied profiteering and gambling."

"An end to the kind of legislation typified by the Keck-Cummings railroad law and the Kansas Court of Industrial Relations law. There must be an end of legislative repression, restriction and legislation not only must there be an end to the enactment of legislation of this character, but there must be a repeal of legislation already enacted."

"The Congress will do well to give immediate and effective consideration to the proposal of the American labor movement that the control of every capital be taken from private financiers and placed in the hands of a public trust to be administered upon principles voluntary and co-operative in character. This will strike a vital blow toward eliminating the abuses of profiteering and exploitation."

"Congress should provide immediately for full publicity for income tax returns."

Using Mandatory Terms
"There must be immediate steps toward equalization of wages and cost of living and effective ways to prevent a new margin from reaching the one to be dissolved. This means that there must be a permanent remedy for the high cost of living."

"The working people of the United States are speaking in mandatory terms. If those in control of the legislative destinies of the country do not understand the needs of the workers at least the workers themselves understand. They know the limit to their endurance. Their demand to be heard is a demand which comprehends the welfare of the country."

President Wilson proposed measures for relief, Mr. Gompers writes, "but Congress gave no heed," and since the signing of the armistice "the American political and industrial Bourbons have laid a course of plunder, restriction and coercion."

Mr. Gompers devotes some of his statements to specific cases of "profiteering and gambling."

"I called to Fellow Workers," Mr. Gompers has seen fit to respond to the wishes of the President, writes Mr. Gompers, "and enact some of the legislation suggested by him it would have been possible to curb, at least, to some extent this unlicensed plundering in the necessities of life. For Congress to deny that relief is possible for Congress to confess the ineffectiveness of which the evidence convinces it."

Attorney General Palmer does not escape attack.
"The Attorney General," Mr. Gompers writes, "has found it possible to indict corner grocers and small handshakers for offenses which are of no moment at all in comparison to the whole situation. He has found it possible to advise the people to eat the poorer cuts of meat. He has found it possible to do a number of ineffective things, but seems to have found it beyond his capacity to do effective things."

Neither do the courts escape the indictment Mr. Gompers draws for Congress and the executive departments. The courts, he says, "bring their assistance to those who have so ably been plundering the people," citing the Supreme Court decision which held stock dividends not taxable as income.

Working People Understood
"The working people," writes Mr. Gompers, "understand as well as any the dangers of the present political and industrial condition of the world. They have understood the need for restraint. They have no desire to rock the boat. . . . While profiteers have reaped untold gains, makers of laws have gone about the business of writing measures for suppression of trade union activity."

"Out of this repression and out of this ruthless exploitation and profiteering has been bred among the working people a deep and stern resentment. No excuse will be accepted from the Congress of the United States for its failure to find proposals of constructive nature to meet a

MR. PAGE MAKES
REPLY TO CRITICSDid Vote Against Keating Bill,
Doesn't Know Barrett,
Proud of Kinamen

Robert N. Page, candidate for Governor, made the first personal allusion to his opponents here Saturday afternoon when he replied to implications recently made by Max Gardner as to his vote on the child labor bill and his alleged affiliation with the "House of Page."

Of Mr. Gardner, he said, that he was afraid that candidate was losing his head in the midst of "all the trouble he has let himself in for through his stand concerning the rights of labor organizations." Mr. Gardner, he said, "in his Fayetteville speech undertook to justify his vote against the Weaver child labor bill by charging me with voting while a member of Congress against the Keating child labor bill. No man can justify his own mistakes by imputing error to another. If Mr. Gardner had wanted to be fair he would also have told his audience that the Keating bill was also voted against by the majority of the Supreme court of the United States and also that I voted for a child labor bill with the same provisions as the Weaver bill, which he voted against, applying to the District of Columbia, the only territory over which Congress has absolute control of legislation."

"In his Greensboro statement he undertakes to couple me up with Mr. Barrett. If I ever saw Mr. Barrett I do not recall the place of time neither have I been in communication with him. If any other body organized or questioned relative to my position, I am in opinion upon any matter in which they are interested I stand ready to answer them."

Mr. Morrison had alluded to the offices held by the Page's kinamen, "the grand old man of the South," as Mr. Page, "but I do not know a 'grand old man' because they have died. It is a title for all men to stand on their own merits. I would no more think of asking you to support me because of them than I would of asking you not to support Mr. Morrison because of his political antecedents."

Mr. Page spoke here in the afternoon to a crowd that more than half filled the auditorium of the city hall. At night he spoke in Duke.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL
CONVENTION THIS WEEKWill Be Held at Antioch Baptist
Church Saturday and Sun-
day Next

On Saturday and Sunday next the annual Sunday School Convention will hold its sessions with the Antioch Baptist Church at Mammars. The Sunday School Committee has endeavored to prepare an unusually inspiring and instructive program and a large gathering is expected. There are at present 26 Sunday Schools in the Association. For the 1920 gathering there will be four sessions, the first opening at 10 o'clock Saturday May 23rd, then at 2 o'clock and at 8 o'clock the same day and on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

The neighborhood about Mammars is well known for its generous hospitality and both the pastor of the Antioch church and the people of the community very cordially invite those interested in this work to meet with the delegates from over the country. Good singing, Sunday school information, cordial Christian fellowship and Bible study will make it an occasion worth while.

KILLING OF CARRANZA
RESULTS IN REACTIONReports From Mexico Indicate De-
facto Government Will Have
Strong Opposition

Washington, May 24.—Official interest in the Mexican situation was intensified today by reports of a de-facto reaction resulting from the killing of Venustiano Carranza, the deposed president. These indications were accompanied by information that the de facto government might have to face almost immediately not only the problem of reducing Villa, the long time rebel leader, to submission, but also a more important, armed opposition.

Reports reaching Washington today from the Mexican capital take advantage of the indignation caused by Carranza's death to lead an avenging movement as did Carranza when Madero was assassinated in 1913.

Confirmation was received by the state department during the day of the failure of General Calles to effect an adjustment between the new government forces and Villa. Ignacio Enriquez was said to have left Chihuahua City Saturday with a strong force to co-operate with other troops in the pursuit of Villa who then was reported in Bogalillas.

NORFOLK'S POPULATION
INCREASE 71 PER CENT

Washington, May 24.—Norfolk, Va., whose population for 1920 was announced today by the census bureau as 115,777, an increase of 48,325, or 71.6 per cent, has passed Albany, N. Y.; Lowell, Mass.; Springfield, Del.; Spokane, Wash.; Kansas City, Kansas; Lynn, Mass.; Tacoma, Wash.; Elizabeth, N. J.; Utica, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Evansville, Ind.; and Manchester, N. H., all of which places were larger in 1910.

Norfolk is eleventh city thus far in the 1920 census which has risen into the 100,000 class.

A situation that has long been of alarming proportions and of the utmost gravity and significance. . . . There is a determination throughout the United States to right the wrongs which have been inflicted."

WRITES ABOUT VISIT OF
CHILDREN TO THIS CITYArticle in Mammars Publication Speaks
Well of Dunn. Gave Them
More Than \$1,000The following article is taken from the Orphan's Friend, published at Oxford. The subject under discussion was the appearance here of the singing class from the Oxford Orphanage, about two weeks ago. It will be interesting to you. Read it:
Monday, May 10.—The children reached Dunn on the morning schooner, about 9:00 o'clock.

Dr. Warren was there with list to take the members of the party to homes as follows: Mack D. Holliday, P. A. Lee, W. R. Howard, L. P. Saurice, Dr. Chas. Highsmith, W. T. Munna, W. E. Baldwin, Young Hotel, guest of Mr. Baker and C. F. Pope.

Dunn is growing and making improvements faster than any town we have visited this year, we think. There is quite a lot of building work going on now. During the last three or four years several handsome residences have been erected. A number of new business houses have been opened up and the streets and property have been improved and beautified until the town has become quite attractive to the visitor.

Dunn has one of the good, strong Masonic Lodges in the State. They have in mind the building of a Masonic Temple. The plans are just yet immature, but undergoing that process of evolution that precedes the building time. These Brethren have the degree work down fine and make the meetings most impressive as well as instructive, we understand.

There is a most happy spirit existing among the Dunn Brethren; while they name as one man, they all back him and do their part to aid in whatever the leader suggests.

The opera house was filled to capacity when the hour came to begin the program. Rev. J. J. Langston was requested to lead the prayer before the Class took charge. There were many compliments paid the program. The kind friends do encourage the children and it is most gratifying to them and it is most encouraging on behalf of the work in the home.

Before the close of the program Hon. J. C. Clifford made a short address and stated that the door receipts were more than \$208.00 and he felt sure there were many like himself who wanted to have a part in making a special contribution through the Class to aid the Orphanage work. He made a splendid talk and the special contribution amounted to \$750.41 from the members and friends of Palmyra Lodge, No. 147.

This made the total receipts amount to \$1,138.41.
To show the keen interest of Dunn Masons we print below a letter from Bro. R. L. Warren to Sup't. R. L. Brown:"Dear Brother Brown:
"When the Singing Class was here on last Monday night, May 10th, the door receipts and contributions from the Brethren amounted to \$958.41. Since that time several Brethren who were not present that night have dropped in and contributed \$49.00—the amount of the enclosed check—which would bring the amount (total) up to \$1,007.41. I would thank you to see that the amount of the enclosed check is added to Brother Alderman's report as very anxious for it to appear in print. This is the first time in the history of the Lodge that we have ever contributed as much as a thousand dollars and we are very proud of the fact that we reached that figure. If you will give this your personal attention I will very much appreciate it.""With best wishes for you and the institution, I am,
"Very fraternally yours,
"R. L. WARREN,
"Chairman Orphan Asylum Committee, Palmyra Lodge, No. 147, A. F. & A. M."NEW PLAN OF RECESS
OF CONGRESS DEVELOPSMay Suspend a Month For The
Conventions and Then Again for
Over the Elections

Washington, May 23.—A new plan for a recess of Congress from June 4 or 5 to about August 3, with a further recess over the November elections in the background, has developed from senate negotiations on the summer program.

The new proposal was said by leaders on both sides to have gained momentum, subject to future legislative developments and also possible action by President Wilson, but agitation for a sine die adjournment remained.

Settlement today of the Republican factional row over the meat packer control bill was said to have paved the way for the recess. Its advocates agreed to assist in expediting appropriation bills and conference reports on legislation already passed by both houses with notice that any remaining time would be demanded for the packer measure.

FAYETTEVILLE WILL TRY
TO ORGANIZE THE STATECity's Chamber of Commerce Calls
Meeting to Organize a State
Organization

The Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce has issued invitations to all Chambers of Commerce in the State of North Carolina to be represented at a meeting on June 9th 1920 in Fayetteville. The purpose of this meeting is the organization of a State Chamber of Commerce to take care of such problems as freight rates, shortage of farm labor, education, and all other matters pertaining to the welfare of North Carolina.

Manufacturers, bankers, professional interests are also invited to participate.

A complete plan of organization is being prepared and presented to the State Chamber of Commerce work in other States will be present.



D. A. McDONALD, Carthage, N. C.

Mr. McDonald is a candidate for State Auditor, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

FIVE KILLED WHEN AUTO
GOES OVER EMBANKMENTRoy Runison, Wife, Two Babies and
John W. Runison, Mtd Death
Near Hot Springs

Asheville, May 23.—Roy Runison, a Madison county farmer, his wife and their two babies were killed yesterday near Hot Springs, when their automobile plunged over a steep embankment on a dangerous mountain curve.

Jeter W. Mamey, a passenger, was also killed. The accident occurred when Runison, driving the car, tried to pass another machine on the curve. He drove too close to the other car, and the machine tipped over about 300 feet from Runison. Six year old boy, had a miraculous escape. He remained in the car and escaped with minor injuries.

DIXON REVIVAL AT
GREENSBORO, N. C.Great Preacher Says Congrega-
tion at Opening Service
Mr. Olive Sings

Greensboro, May 23.—People began to arrive at the First Baptist church at 10 o'clock Sunday evening, although the service were not scheduled to begin until 8 o'clock. A striking index of the interest that attended the opening of the series of meetings is that the church was filled to capacity when the service began. The services actually began, the auditorium proper, the Sunday school room and the galleries were filled to capacity.

The subject of the opening sermon was "The Touches of God," based on our texts taken from Isaiah, Ezekiel and Mark, and describing the touch of the altar-stone on Isaiah's lips, the breath of God filled upon Ezekiel, the breath that filled the valley of dead men's bones, and the dew that descended from heaven upon Jesus. The sermon was addressed almost altogether to Christians, and was by way of preparation for the work of the coming week; God's people were adjured to pray for the purifying fire, the hand of power, the breath of life and the guiding touch of the dove.

To those who had never heard him before, Dr. Dixon was distinctly a surprise. Whatever they went out for to see, they certainly found no need shaken by the wind. In argument in phraseology, in presence, and in delivery, Dr. Dixon hit the essence of simplicity. Far from being unadorned, he is not even elaborate. His rhetoric is irreproachable, but devoid of ornament; he hardly used a single figure of speech throughout the 40 minutes of last night's sermon.

Nevertheless, the very simplicity of his preaching is enormously powerful. He obviously regards himself as a messenger, and devotes himself too thoroughly to the delivery of his message to bother about the graces of the orator. Thus when he does occasionally turn to some glittering phrase, its effect is prodigious.

The meetings will continue throughout the week, twice a day, except Wednesday and Thursday, when only the evening services will be held. Dr. Dixon goes to preach the baccalaureate sermon at Wake Forest college Wednesday, but will return in time to preach Thursday night. The afternoon services will be held at 4 o'clock, according to the present arrangement, and the evening service will begin at 8. The evening song service will begin shortly before that hour.

The music during the meeting will be under the leadership of Rev. E. I. Olive, of Dunn, who rendered a solo last night. Mr. Olive is gifted with splendid voice, which he handles with ability, as well as with a talent for leading congregational singing.

PAGE URGES A LOWER
LIMIT IN REVALUATIONThinks Act Can Work Great Good If
Acceded So As To Prevent
Excess

Taylorsville, May 24.—Robert N. Page, candidate for governor, favors revaluation with reservation, a large Edgecombe audience was told here by the candidate. The reservation is that the constitution be amended so that lower limit be placed on the right to tax citizens of North Carolina.

Mr. Page believes that the act will work great good to the taxpayer if the law is amended so that taxes cannot be increased to the limit that they will be burdensome. The principle of the law is to equalize taxes, he said, and if proper limitations are placed upon it nobody can be harmed.

ENSIGN EDWIN S. POUL
BURIED IN SMITHFIELDBody of Carolina Hero Brought
Back From France and Laid to
Rest at His Home

Smithfield, May 21.—The funeral of Ensign Edwin Smith Poul, son of Congressmen and Mrs. E. W. Poul, of this place, who gave his life in the service of his country in 1918, was held here today at 1 o'clock. The body arrived from overseas in New York Monday, together with 150 others who had died in France.

After the ceremony there, the body was brought direct here, accompanied by Mrs. E. W. Poul, his mother, Mrs. Edwin S. Poul, his young widow, Miss Margaret Poul, a sister, all of Washington, D. C., and Ensign Horton, of the navy.

An immense crowd gathered at the Methodist church to do honor to the young hero, many visitors from out of town being present. All business of the city closed out of respect to the occasion. Banks of beautiful flowers filled the chancel, as the flag-draped casket passed up the aisle.

The service was conducted by Rev. Howard Hartzell, rector of the Episcopal church, of which the deceased was a member, assisted by Rev. S. A. Cotton, pastor of the Methodist church. The eulogy pronounced by Rev. Mr. Hartzell was impressive and appropriate.

The active pallbearers were E. L. Woodall, Ransom Sanders, R. R. Holt, L. H. Parker, Arthur Naron, Troy Wyatt, Robert A. Wilson and J. J. Jordan. The honorary pallbearers were J. R. Hanks, of the navy, Charleston, S. C.; Capt. A. O. Clement, of Goldsboro; Lieut. Oliver Smith, of Raleigh; Alfred Parker, of Benson; Judge F. H. Brooks, W. F. Grimes, Preston Faison, A. G. Byrd, J. H. Bell, D. W. Parrish, E. F. Ward, H. C. Hood, C. I. Pierce and T. J. Laster.

Among the floral offerings was a basket of flowers with naval flag from Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels. Here to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. James H. Poul, of Raleigh, and Mrs. James Albert, of Norfolk, Va.

WILMINGTON AIRMAN IS
MISSING IN POLE ARMYLieut. Marmos C. Rorison, Flying
For Poland, May Have Been
Shot Down by Bolsheviks

Warraw, May 23.—Lieutenant Marmos C. Rorison, of Wilmington, N. C., a pilot in the Kosciusko aerial squadron, has been missing for several days, since he began a flight to obtain a report concerning the bolshevik lines on the southern front in the offensive against the Germans.

Since the start on his mission Rorison has not been reported, and the Polish military authorities are of the opinion that he either was shot down by the enemy or forced to land in the bolshevik line. Wireless efforts have been made to ascertain the fate of the aviator.

(Lieutenant Rorison of Wilmington, this state, served with brilliance in the flying corps of the A. E. F., shooting down on one occasion three German machines in as many minutes. He and a brother were both decorated for gallantry in aviation.)

IMPOSE FINES FOR NOT
OBEYING HEALTH LAWSTwo Citizens of Sampson County Are
Presented by State Board
Of Health

Raleigh, May 22.—Failure to comply with state laws for the reporting of contagious diseases and statistics caused several prosecutions by the state board of health during the week, with convictions in local courts.

Rastus Butler, a white citizen of Sampson county, failed to report a case of whooping cough in his family. He had no physician. The child, suffering with whooping cough, was taken to a public funeral and later the disease developed among children of four other families who were present. Twenty cases are charged to contact with this child. Mr. Butler was fined \$5 and costs.

T. M. Ferrell, Jr., local undertaker in Sampson county was fined \$5 and costs for having buried a body without obtaining death certificate.

An additional inspector for the state health department will be placed in the field the first of June and the effort to strictly enforce the laws regarding to promptly reporting contagious diseases and proper compliance with the vital statistics law will be intensified.

NATION'S FREIGHT JAM
IS SLOWLY YIELDING.

Washington, May 24.—The freight jam was declared tonight to be slowly yielding to the efforts concentrated on the mass of cars which clog the country's railroad yards. Reports to the American Railroad Association's car service committee showed reduction in car accumulation from 229,000, on April 24, to less than 170,000 last Friday.

While the battle to relieve the blockade by any means has been won, railroad officials said the indications of improvement were strong enough to substantiate the belief that the peak of the congestion had passed.

Despite the brighter prospects for digging the railroads out of the freight jam, efforts of the Interstate Commerce Commission to speed the work were not diminished in any manner today. Local organizations have been known as terminal committees were formed today at 30 of the country's leading railroad centers and were instructed to keep the commission informed of every phase of their respective problems with a view to employing emergency powers granted by the transportation act.

BILL LEGALIZING MAKING
2.75 PER CENT BEER SIGNED

Albany, N. Y., May 24.—The Walker bill, legalizing the manufacture and sale of beer containing not more than 2.75 per cent of alcohol was signed by Governor Smith today.

CAPACITY CROWDS
ATTEND MEETINGSThe Price-Stents Revival At
Methodist Church Break-
ing All Records

Sunday was a great day in the revival meeting in progress at the Methodist church. Never in the history of the town have such crowds come to hear a preacher as have Mr. Price Stents. Interest in a meeting. The house was filled Sunday morning to hear the excellent singing of the great gospel singer and listen to the impressive evangelist as he showed what was the real trouble with the church. Sunday night the church was packed and a thousand people probably heard the sermon on "Hypocrites and why some people don't join the church."

The theme of the Sunday morning sermon was the danger of a people who were satisfied with a nominal Christian life that was for self and the end effect it had on the church. Sunday night he showed how many day by day lived among hypocrites in all lines of calling and made no lick and yet was willing to let that keep them out of the church and away from God.

The arguments on each were indisputable and the evangelist drove his sermon home in a manner that moved men. Previous to Sunday, Friday night, been the most impressive service when in spite of rain a large crowd of people came to hear the subject "Missing Life's Greatest Opportunity." Over sixty went forward for recommitment and conversion.

Sunday afternoon the main auditorium of the church was filled with women, who heard the sermon on the "Power of a Woman's Influence." A large number went forward at the close for recommitment to God and several were converted.

Although the services were moved up on account of the school closing Monday night the crowd was there and the evangelist disclosed what was really the moment of the Dunn revival. From his discourse we would conclude that the meaneest man is the man who says he believes and don't practice his belief.

This week Mr. Stents has had an excellent junior choir along with the regular and the music has been indeed good. The solo work of Mr. Stents has been a great treat and a uplift to those who have heard him. No two men have visited our city in its history that have more impressed the public than Mr. Price Stents. The speaker is a great and convincing as well as eloquent in his sermons and the singer is indeed a gospel singer that leaves a deep impression upon those who hear him.

The subject Thursday night: "The Business Man's Greatest Blunder." Should be heard by all as it is considered the best of his series.

MRS. R. T. VANN GETS \$8,000
VERDICT AGAINST SOUTHERN

Raleigh, May 22.—Mrs. R. T. Vann has been awarded damages in the sum of \$8,000 for personal injury sustained by a truck handled at the railroad yard by the Southern Railway. The suit was for \$20,000 and consumed two days in court.

Mrs. Vann is the wife of a former president of Meredith college, and both are prominent in the Baptist denomination, in which Dr. Vann is a distinguished preacher.

TRAIN CROSSES RIVER
BRIDGE ON CROSSSTIESMiraculous Escape of Atlantic Coast
Line Passenger Train at the
Fayetteville Bridge

Fayetteville, May 21.—An Atlantic Coast Line passenger and express train crossed the Cape Fear river bridge on the cross ties without injury to any of the passengers or crew when the cars left the rails 500 yards south of the bridge just after the train had left the Fayetteville yards early this morning.

The engine did not leave the track and the coaches were held on the bridge by the guard rails. As the last car cleared the bridge the train was brought to a standstill with practically the entire train except the engine carving at an angle of 45 degrees over the edge of a 40-foot embankment.

The escape of all persons on the train was considered a miracle. The passengers were brought to this city by the morning train from Rocky Mount. The north bound track was blocked for about 15 hours but the double track made it possible to maintain uninterrupted traffic.

The wreckage was cleared up tonight.

NEW BANKING BUILDING

Clayton, May 24.—The formal opening of the Clayton Banking Company's new building this morning at 1:30 elicited much local interest. The opening was made even more sacred than the usual launching of a ship. A scripture lesson, Luke 19:13-25, was read by Rev. O. I. Hinson, pastor of Horne Memorial church and prayer was offered by Rev. A. O. Moore, pastor of the local Baptist church. Then Mr. John F. Talbot, cashier of the bank, welcomed the visitors and a number of congratulatory speeches followed by visitors present.

This marks a new epoch in the bank's history. It was established in 1899 with a capital stock of \$10,000 and now has a capital stock of \$100,000 and assets aggregating \$246,000. It started as a toddling baby—now it is a full grown man with its high status before it.

The new building is perfect in all its arrangements. It has not been cheapened in its construction to save expense. Its finish is the most modern, and can not be excelled in beauty and perfection of plans.

BLAMES OPERATING
RAILROAD HEADS
FOR CONGESTIONHead of Securities Association
Says They Failed To
Meet SituationMAY FORCE GOVERNMENT
TO TAKE OVER ROADSProminent Railroad Executive Ap-
proves Proposal of Interstate Com-
merce Commission For National
Equipment Corporation; Wants
Congress to Create It.

Washington, May 23.—Blame for the nation-wide freight congestion was placed on the railroad by A. Davies Warfield, president of the Association of Owners of Railroad Securities.

In an analysis of the transportation crisis Mr. Warfield said, the railroad operating officials had failed to meet the situation and that government ownership would be "forced upon an unwilling device," unless the carriers themselves devise co-operative methods.

Mr. Warfield approved the Interstate Commerce Commission's proposal for a National equipment corporation but said such an agency should be created by Congress rather than by the roads, who he asserted, had failed to arrive at a common basis of understanding even in the distribution of the \$500,000,000 revolving fund provided by the transportation act.

Mr. Warfield said he planned to suggest to the Commission this week that trustees of the proposed equipment corporation be composed of practical railroad operating officials, financial men and representatives of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

There has been no indication when the Commission plans to take up formation of the corporation. The 28 local committees recently designated by the commission, meet in their respective cities tomorrow and it is expected will be able to survey their individual problems within 48 hours. The information they gather will be forwarded immediately to the Commission to be used in deciding on a policy relating to priorities and emergencies.

The great exchange of equipment, scheduled by the commission's order to commence Tuesday, contains one of the most difficult on the road materially, once the movement of men and material is started, but the rail heads behind wheels of operation between the commission and the roads and the shipping public must follow if the blockade is opened successfully.

HEADLESS BODY FOUND ON
RAILROAD IN FAYETTEVILLE

Fayetteville, May 23.—The headless body of a white man, believed to be R. Skidmore, New York, was found on the railroad tracks here early today. In the pockets of the victim's clothing was found three pawa tickets, one for a watch, one for a violin and another for a violin bow and a key ring with two keys one of which bore the name "R. Skidmore, New York." The body was completely severed from the body.

CUTS THROATS OF FOUR
CHILDREN AND HERSELF

Cuthbert, Ga., May 23.—Mrs. W. H. Ward, of Cuthbert, slashed the throats of herself and four of her five children with a razor early today according to the police, while her husband lay asleep in an adjoining room. Mental derangement from long illness was said by her family to have caused the deed.

One of the children, a girl, of five, died from the injuries. Two others were said to be in serious condition but the fourth child and the mother are expected to recover.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
WILL CONDUCT CAMPAIGNWill Make A strenuous Effort To
Vaccinate at Least Fifty Thou-
sand During Summer

Raleigh, May 23.—With a typhoid death rate that has been steadily reduced during each of the past five years the State Board of Health is preparing for another intensive effort against this most easily preventable of all the prevalent diseases that annually take the lives of North Carolinians. Through its field this summer the State Board of Health will strive for the vaccination of a minimum of fifty thousand people.

As in previous years, a proposition is being made to a number of counties that will mean the opportunity for the anti-typhoid treatment free of charge to the individual citizens.

Physicians employed by the State will hold dispensaries in easily accessible points in the counties taking advantage of the offer and administer the typhoid vaccine, which will be manufactured in the State laboratory. A careful record of all persons receiving the full treatment of three doses of vaccine will be kept, and the county commissioners will pay at the rate of twenty-five cents for each citizen who is thus rendered immune to typhoid fever.

Already the proposition has been accepted by the counties of Mecklenburg, Gaston, Albemarle, Franklin and Person. A large number of other counties are expected to take favorable action at the monthly meetings of the commissioners in June.

The work will be directed by Dr. Charles S. Mangum of the medical faculty of the University of North Carolina, and Dr. Luther T. Buchanan of the medical faculty of Wake Forest University. A number of other physicians will be employed to assist in the work.