Eastern Carolina's Food and Fashion Show, Wilmington October 25-28

The Weather Today Generally fair today; Sunday increasing cloudiness, probably showers on coast; little change in temperature. Stage of river at Fayetteville vesterday at 8 p. m., 1.8 feet.

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OLDEST DAILY IN THE STATE.

CRISIS AT HAND IN RAIL WAGE DISPUTE

RAIL EXECUTIVES WILL HOUSE DECLINES AGAIN ASK FOR 10 PER CENT TO ENLARGE FROM 435 ADDITIONAL WAGE CUT TO 460 CONGRESSMEN

ANNOUNCEMENT PUTS A Lee Seems to Think SUDDEN END TO LABOR CONFERENCE ON WAGES

Brotherhood Chiefs Walk Out and Refuse to Say What Will Happen Now

NO LOWER FREIGHT

Reduction in Rates Would Mean Bankruptcy, Rail Executives Declare

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—(By the Associated Press).—Represenatives of the nation's railroads oday, after announcing that cannot reduce freight rates t present without going into ankruptcy, and that they rould immediately seek a furthwages from the United States eaders in an effort to reach an micable settlement of wage dif- J. Hugh Truluck, Assistant iculties which at times have threatened to tie up the transportation systems of the coun-

At the conference union-leaders asked reconsideration of their request of last July that a 12 1-2 per cent wage reduction granted by the labor board be not put into effect immediately, hat no further wage reductions ime pay rates. This request ng the proposal to seek new reintil further reductions were

The labor leaders left the conerence immediately and few of nem would discuss its procedngs or predict the results.

one, president of the Brotherhood of the two men in Sumter.

e over an old wage cut. Binker, of the Association of by Executives, said that the Portation system was facing one Ereatest crisis but also refused aka predictions.

on leaders freely admitted, howthat there had been little harbetween the committees in the

facultives announced, however, uction in freight and passenhad been accepted by a cor-

union leaders, their for a meeting being acceptheads following the anoncerning freight rates. ng started the committee the Asociation of Rail lives declared they believed settle most of the immediate

hetween the carriers and almost nullified by the

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A Strike Will Come

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.-Late tonight, W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, said that the district chairmen of the unions would receive their final instructions tomorrow as to whether there would be a strike. Asked point blank if a strike would be ordered, he said:

"I will not say definitely, but were I a betting man I would place my money that there will be a

"Regardless of what action is taken the final decision is only a matter of the rising and setting of a few more suns. The district chairmen will receive their final orders tomorrow and then will go home. My chairmen already have been sent home and will receive their orders by mail".

Asked concerning the reports that a strike effective October 30 had been decided upon, Mr. Lee replied: "I went answer that definitely but if some one has told you that, they have hit a lot of nails on the head-perhaps they are not exactly right, but they are driving

r reduction in the employes' TRACED TO TRIO WHO milroad labor board, went into a fittle conference with union ARE SAID TO CONFESS

Cashier, Held for Theft of \$80,000 to \$90,000

BACK

Mystery of Theft of Farmer's Safe and Rich Contents Believed Solved

(Special to The Star) FLORENCE, S. C., Oct. 14 .- With the

e sought at present, and that cashier of the First National bank of Olanta, and his signed confession to sion, he favored the Seigel bill, brought change be made in the over- the part he played in the robbery of criticism from several Republicans opthe home of Sam W. Young, Florence posed to the measure, Representative county farmer, of an iron safe containwas refused and the rail heads ing liberty bonds, war saving stamps Maine, being particularly emphatic in and mortgages and other securities, their remarks. presented a statement announc- amounting to between \$80.000 and \$90,-000, events today followed thick and uctions and not to reduce rates little interest in this section of the

In the absence of Mr. Young the safe was removed from the house and was found later in Lynces river, rifled of its contents.

Arrest was made in Sumter vesterday of two brothers, M. A. and A. H.. Truuck, and they were brought here today and questioned closely by Mr. Burns detective agency, who has worked up the case and caused the arrest of

When the third Truluck boy, a cousin of the two men arrested in Sumter, was arrested while in the bank at Olanta this morning, a sensation was created. of Railway Trainmen, refused to It was found later that M. A. Truluck had nothing to do with the actual theft of the safe and he was released. It was established that the other Truluck, however, had made a confident of him and that he knew all about the business from beginning to end.

As a result of the work of the detectives, \$26,000 worth of bonds, war savings stamps and securities have

ontinuation of their confession to Mr. Whitfield, a Burns agency detective, who put the clinchers on the informaion he had previously received by having one of the Truluck boys sign the same name to a check he had signed county, who has served eight months on a check drawn on the First National of a year's sentence for assaulting bank of Florence for \$1,000 This check his wife. He was under the influence bore the signature of Fred A. Jones, which the boy confessed was the as- was informed, and the wife earnestsumed name he had adopted to carry out in Florence the disposal of the sto-

en liberty bonds. With confession from Hugh Truluck. he alleged master mind who engineered the sale of the stolen securities, and confession from the two Truluck cousins, who are said to have committed the actual theft, Mr. Whitfield bethat ae has closed a case upon which he has been working for several clined today, the prisoners being: E. Representative Bourke months and one that has led him from F. Pitts, of Forsyth county, serving moerat, New York. indicated its purpose Florida to Maryland and on to New two years for having whiskey! Lee York, for it was in a New York bank Green, of Durham, serving 10 years for the resolution continued. "the judi-

Votes Down All Amendments and Sends Siegel Bill Back to Committee

AIMS LICK AT DIXIE

Tinkham of Massachusetts Fails and More to Cut South's Once More to Cut South's

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 .- The, house ecorded its opposition tonight to any increase in its membership recommitting to the census committee by a onte of 146 to 142 the Segel bill to increase its size from 435 to 460 mem-

The vote was taken on a motion to recommit offered by Representative Fairfield, of Indiana, a Republican member of the census committee, after nine hours of debate and wrangling over parliamentary procedure.

Previous to recommitting the bill, the house, rejected 140 to amendment by Representative Barbour. Republican, California, to authorize reapportionment without any increase in membership. Auther amendment, offered by Representative Tinkham, Rethe membership to 425, was smothered

legroes, would have lost 33 seats and Massachusetts one under his amend-ment while a gain of 24 seats would ment while a gain of 24 seats would HEARING IS POSTPONED which made considering a dozen states which made considerable gains in population during the last decade. It was the second time within

year that the house has blocked effort to increase its size, during the fast ses ion a bill to fix the membership at 483 being defeate. At that time an-other bill providing for reapportionment under the 1920 census without increasing the number of members, was passed by the house but no action was taken on it by the senate. Opponents, of the bill tonight con-

tended that the house already was an unwieldly body and that it would funccon less efficiency with an increased membership. Chairman Siegel and Representative Larsen of Georgia a Democratic member of the committee, pleaded for the measure, while Representative Fairfield and Rankin, Democrat, Mississippi, directed the attack against it. Party lines were disregarded in the final vote. Announcement by Representative

Mondell, the Republican leader, that alarrest of J. Hugh Truluck, assistant though he had proposed an increase in the size of the house at the last ses-Cooper, of Wisconsin, and Beedy, of

fast in a robbery that has created no little interest in this section of the PAROLES TWO, REFUSES

Governor Morrison Extends Clemency in Cases Approved by Court Officials

the solicitor both expressing doubt as to the defendant's guilt, and the jury petitioning in his behalf, Governor Morrison today paroled Lynch, of Rutherford county, who has served two years of a 10-year sentence for second degree murder. Lynch was convicted in October. 1919. Judge James L. Webb, who sentenced him, has written the governor that he now doubts the defendant's guilt and former Solicitor Shipman. who prosecuted him, writes that from been recovered so far and the officers information he has received since the believe they will get the rest of the trial, he thinks it quite probable he committed his act in self defense. Ev-When they walked into the sheriff's ery member of the jury which at that office here they entered at once into a time held Lynch guilty has signed a petition urging his pardon.

judge and the solicitor, and the appeal of his wife, Governor Morrison also paroled Otis Falkner, of Vance of whiskey at the time, the governor ly urged the pardon as they have become reconciled and she needs him to help support their four small chil-

Paul Vestal, of Rewan county, sentended to two years for receiving

Three requests for pardons were de-

Opening Sessi

the Ku Klux Klan Inquiry at Capital



A view of the opening session of the investigation into the actitvities of the Ku Klux Klan conducted in the capitol by the house rules committee. Col. William Joseph Simmons, imperial wizard of the organization, and other Klan leaders have been summoned to testify. Below is shown the rules committee. Left to right, P. P. Campbell, F. J. Barfrett, A. S. Kreider, P. H. Dale, S. D. Fess, W. A. Rodenberg and D. R. Riordan. The photograph of Colonel

BY HOUSE COMMITTEE

Head of the Ku Klux Klan Suffering From Bronchitis and From Exhaustion

READY BY MONDAY

No Indication Committee Will Summon Edward Young Clarke or Mrs. Tyler

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Because of the illness of William J. Simmons, imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, the house rules committee hearing on resolutions calling for a congressional investigation of the order went over today until Monday.

A Washington physician, called last night to attend the wizard at a hotel after his collapse at the hearing yesterday, reported that he was in bed suffering from an acute attack pronchitis, exhaustion and an affection of the throat, but that he would be in shape to undergo examination by committeemen the first of the week. er the committee would summon other witnesses before making a report to the house. The suggestion that Edward Young Clarke, imperial kleagle and head of the klan's propagating department, and Mrs.. Elizabeth Tyler, his assistant, be called to testify, has not been discussed by the committee, it

HEARING OF TESTIMONY IN RAWLINS CASE BEGINS TODAY

Hearing of testimony will being tomorrow-in the trial of Frank Rawlins, charged with murder in connection with the killing of George H. Hickman, manager of the Palace theatre September 4 when Rawlins robbed the playhouse of \$800.

Selection of a jury was completed Rawlins related his story of the robbery and killing at the trial of John H. Pope, who was last week sentenced to life imprisonment in connection with the affair. Several witnesses have been summoned including the arresting officer and E. S. Harrison, treasurer of the theatre, who was with Hickman at the time he met Rawlins claims the shooting of Hickman was accidental and it is understood his defense will seek to establish this with a view to obaining a mitigated sentence.

BOURKE COCKBAN WANTS THE POWER OF EXECUTIVE CLEAR

judiciary committee would be directed "to inquire whether it is within the scope of the President's constitutional authority to address either of legislation introduced tonight by that last year over \$89,000 in taxes was sympathy with it." "If such power be found to exist,"

that a further wage re- that he found the first trace of one of a crime against nature, and Charles clary committee is hereby directed to the stolen bonds, through a check for F. Joyce, of Fersyth, sentenced last inquire whether the language of the rounding community." Mr. Wade writes,

Eleven southern states, which Mr. IMPERIAL WIZARD ILL, Farmers' Union to Study the Subject of Taxation

This Is One of the Big Items on the Program of the Approaching State Convention-Farmers Have Faith in the Program Governor Morrison Has Entered Upon

at its annual convention here Novemthese is expected to be the ever-present problem of taxation.

The farmers are always interested in this subject, and taxation talk has ers has been started as the result of textile industry of Czecho-Slovakia, esnot ceased since the first steps towards the passage and immediate repeal of pecially in cotton and knitted goods revaluation were taken. There has an ordinance by the city commission- for Rumania, Poland and the Balkans, been only an intimation that this will ers requiring the union label on the was noted by Trade Commissioner Gerbe the big subject, but the slating of city's printing jobs. The commission inger at Prague. The unemployment J. W. Bailey, who thinks taxation day passed the ordinance Wednesday, pro-situation was improving, he declared, and night, for a speech before the convention is taken as a positive an- on all printing done for the city Op- reduction, efficiency was increasing.

nouncement that the farmers want to hear all they can about it. The election of officers, which somemeetings, will be mild this year, in the to develop against R. W. H. Stone, of Guilford county, who has held chief well, of Raleigh, who has served as president, anticipate that he will have

no opponents. Although the union, numerically, is not as strong as it was a few years ago, members believe the organization a ship, which numbers around 10,000, is made up largely of the most influential and substantial farmers of the state, who take an active interest in public affairs.

The farmers have great faith in Governor Morrison and the constructive program he is carrying through in the state, according to expressions of union accepted, the invitation to deliver the address of welcome on the morning o the 16th, in behalf of the state.

Several committees are to be appoint ed soon to look after the several phases of the plans for the convention Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, already has been designated as chairman of the publicity committee, and it is expected publicity measures will be adopted to induce the attendance of union members from every section of the state. Those in charge of preparations are wanting the Raleigh meeting to be large in point of attendance as well as significant by reason of the influential stage which members believed they have reached. Last year's convention was held during October in Concord. At the meeting the previous year in Greensboro the presidency transferred from Dr. H. Q. Alexander to R. W. H. Stone, after the Mecklenburger had held it for a number of years.

Insurance Commissioner Stacey W. used for supervision. In spite of the philanthropic nature

of these institutions, their contribution by "deserving Democrats" whose party to the general advancement of the sur- members he charged with having laid records at the university are broken by the stolen bonds, through a check for call as president of the Brother-its uncertainty as a capt the union men already had auther the union men already had auther the union men already had accept the recent 12 1-2 per ads can the was a bond for a thousand dollars. It was stated today by Mr. Whitfield that accept the recent 12 1-2 per ads can have the nerve to sugast and more to sugast and the nerve to sugast an including communities was a constitutional men already had auther the nerve to sugast and the nerve to sugast an including communities was a bond for a thousand dollars. It was stated today by Mr. Whitfield that her outher the nerve to sugast an including communities was a bond for a thousand dollars are coal dust explosion today at the Beaven the nerve to sugast an including communities was a communitied was stated today by Mr. Whitfield that her only the nerve to sugast an including communities was a result of a dent Harding in addressing the sending in the consistutional new are seriously burned and physically the following the confession of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the confession of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Confession of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Confession of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Confession of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, pressident of the Confession of the Brotherhood of Loco-its Engineers and the confession of "some of our people fail to look upon handled plan" to keep their appointees dred and eighty-three students have When one considers that \$80,000 was House," the Republicans charged and members of the freshman class. collected in taxes from them last year, believed, and convinced the American The registration to the date

and Have Invited Him to Speak

RALEIGH, Oct. 14 .- A half dozen | lessened by a far greater amount than the tax collected from them." The assets of all the associations in the state at the end of 1920 amounted ported, while prices were soaring and to \$29,368,115 as against \$23,452,771 in supplies in general were inadequate. ver 16, 17 and 18, and chief among 1919, while the number of shareholders There were symptoms of a panic, he greater than the year previously.

Another fight among Raleigh printviding that the union label should be and while there was considerable wage ponents of the union amon gthe employing printers kicked and the ordinance was rescinded. Today the union during September, according to Comtimes furnishes sensations at annual printers went before the board and mercial Attache McLean, at Rome. made a protest against the repeal. The federated shop crafts of the Seaboard ed in the textile mills, very little enrailroad joined with the printers in couragement could be gleaned, he dethe protest.

The commissioners are in deep water, place for the last two years. It is as opponents of the union and the recognized as certain that W. L.. Bag- union printers both have intimated that they will create aduss if the board secretary only a year, will be asked fails to decide as they wish it to, Con-There was no indication as to wheth- to continue in that place, and friends sideration of the protest of the union of Dr. J. M. Templeton, of Carey, vice- printers was postponed until Monday when it is expected both sides will be In their statement of complaint the union printers expressed surprise at the action of the commissioners in remore potent and influential one than at | pealing the ordinance, as they feel it would in no way involve the interest of the taxpayers or affect the operation of the city government, and in view of the contention that the present commissioners would "not have been hidden in empty ballast tanks, severa! elected without the votes of union men of them afflicted with beri beri. and women who generally supported report that another Chinese who had

leaders. He has been asked, and has accepted, the invitation to deliver the

Indignant That Eight Months After "Time" a Democrat Should Hold Office

of the replacement of Democratic fedkins, Republican, West Virginia, who wrote a letter of complaint to every shown them bullet proof. They will member of the cabinet and later presented his views in an individual with bers of the bomb. Italian and loft President Harding.

To the President, Senator Elkins declared that the Republicans of his state were "expressing impatience and are to be attacked, they later maybe disappointment that so little progress introduced generally among the force day respite owing to the continued the other, and in its absence whenillness of his mother.

Made of congress without notice to wade favors exempting building and had been made in the past eight months the other, and in its absence whenloan associations from taxation, he in calling to the support of the adever he may please on any preposal states in his annual report, in showing ministration men lovel to it and in the continued to the weigh only 6 pounds. Wade favors exempting building and had been made in the past eight months Made of silk, canvas and Norwegian ever he may please on any proposal states in his annual report, in showing ministration men loyal to it and in full

A large majority of the important positions in the government, the West Virginia senator asserted, still are held

BUSINESS IN EUROPEAN STATES GENERALLY IS CHANGED VERY LITTLE

Improvement in Some Countries Is Ballanced Elsewhere by Depression

BRITAIN THE SAME

Germany Rather Active but This Is Largely Due to Value of Marks

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 .- Economic conditions in Europe during the past month remained practically unchanged, improvement in some countries being nearly ballanced by unsatisfactory developments in others, according to a summary of cabled reports 'ssued tonight by the commerce department.

There were no real changes in general economic conditions in England during September, said Commercial Attache Dennis at London. Toward the end of the month a slight stringency developed in the money market, he declared, and even the decline in prices of some commodities was interrupted had risen, he added, as a result of a considerable advance in British ex-

Increased industrial activities in Germany were reported by H. A. Adams, The stock exchange was very active he said and both wholesale and retail establishments were doing much business. however, he asserted, great concern over the fact that the present boom did not so much indicate an economic recovery as it showed the result of the mark depreciation and the rush of buyers who feared a further increase

Unsettled conditions prevailed Austria during the month, W. F. Upson, at Vienna, informed the department. Government finances were in even a worse condition than formerly, he rehave increased to 831,404, 35 per cent said, and runs were being made on

> A substantial improvement in the The general situation of the Italian industries showed very little change While the usual activity was maintainclared, from th conditions prvailing in th other major industries of the coun-

> A large budget deficit, diminution of foreign trade tolls, and abnormally large purchases of foreign grains, constituted the outstanding features of the month, as reported by Commercial Attache Cunningham, at Madrid.

HUNTING FOR DRUGS, FIND STARVED CHINKS IN TANKS

NEW YORK, Oct. 14 .- Customs officials searched the British freighter Helenus today for smuggled drugs, but instead fought 15 half starved Chinese the disease had been thrown overboard before he was dead either in the harbor or on the voyage from Boston, started the harbor police on a search

The 15 were taken to Ellis Island and, after they had been questioned, on a charge that for \$1,000 a head he had undertaken to smuggle the batch into the United States from a port in

GOTHAM POLICEMEN WEARING STEEL CORSETS-LATEST STYLE

NEW YORK, Oct. 14 .- Steel corsets for blue coats is the latest fashion

in New York. Ten pairs, it became known today. had been purchased after tests had be distributed in emergencies to mem-

squads. Although they are intended primarily for use when barricaded criminals

ROLL AT UNIVERSITY NOW

(Special to The Star.) CHAPEL HILL, Oct. 14:-Attendance a "thoroughly organized and adroitly this year's registration. Fifteen hunbeen entered on the rolls. This is 250 "In the campaign," said Senator El- more than had been enrelled on the kins, in a statement issued at the White same day of last year. There are 535

The registration to the date would he points out. "it must be apparent that people to the effect that these men indicate a total of about 1,800 before the danger of over-taxation is real and, were inefficient. The Republican par- the college year is over if there were without some remedial legislation, it is ty was voted the responsibility and to accommodations for that number. But probable that their usefulness to the discharge it successfully, its members there are not. Living quarters, classistate in dollars and cents through the should be called in to help with the room and space and eating facilities creation of taxable property will be job."