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ASHEVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 1, 1913.

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## GOVIRNOR IS COMINGHERE

### Expects to Arrive Tonight To Aid in Reaching Settlement of the Strike.

### MUCH DISORDER **DURING THE NIGHT**

Demonstration at Company's Building, with Windows Smahed-Seven Ar-

rests.

City authorities are in a quandary, and manifestly they are troubled over the situation created by the strike of the car men of the Asheville Power and Light company, and the spirit of mob violence in evidence last and it was stopped. There were those right; and they are at a loss to know what is best to do. Mayor Rankin has telephoned to Governor Craig at least one of these was passing the edvising him to the trouble last night, and it is expected that Governor Craig will arrive in the city tonight in an effort to aid in the settlement of

At his office at noon today Mayor Rankin said he had no statement to make as to his course of action. He had just received a letter from the Asheville Power and Light company, again calling upon him to furnish them protection, saying that the troutle occurred because of the fact that a large crowd of men and boys were allowed to congregate on the streets. in a statement for the press General Manager Plummer says that if the auchorities had been able to quell the apparently lawless spirit at its incep-tion in the afternoon he is satisfied there would have been no trouble whatever. Chief Lycrly and Sheriff Williams are trying to get more men, and say they can handle the situation if they can get them. Ten cars are cunning on regular schedule, and have not been molested.

Mr. Plummer's Statement. "At noon we are running ten cars, and matters seem to be progr satisfactorily as could be expected un-der the circumstances. The storm of last night, while resulting in comparatively little damage, assumed the magnitude that it did owing to the facthat the crowd was allowed to gradually increase until it had assumed the proportion and semblance of a howling mob. If the authorities had been able to quell the opparently lawless spirit at its inception in the afternoon, we are satisfied there would have been no trouble whatever.

"It seems that this will be the natural view, and it unquestionably is the city, so far as I have been able to de-

"Possibly the most deplorable phase of the situation, aside from the posrible loss of human life that would ome from unbridled lawlessness, is the imminent and permanent disas trous results that will accrue to Asheville's business prosperity. Truly it is a deplorable situation, possibly more o' for us than for any other single interest; we are doing what we can to alleviate the situation, but as we have said before, it is up to the authorities to prohibit these lawless acts."

Letter to the Mayor. General Manager Plummer sent the following letter to Mayor Rankin to-

Hon. J. E. Rankin. "Mayor of Asheville. "Owing to the fact that on the night of April 30, 1913, a large crowd of men and boys were allowed to conpregate on the streets of the city and main in great disorder for several hours, and further that said parties engaged in throwing stones, brick and other missiles through the windows of the office and car barn of this company, endangering the lives of the occupants of the building and injuring the company's property, we again call on you to take any and all measures that may be necessary to safeguard the lives and persons of the passengers and employes of this company and to prevent further damage to its property situated in the city of Asheville.

"Most respectfully yours,

COMPANY. "By H. W. PLUMMER. "Vice Pres & Gen. Manager."
Night Attack on Company's Building.
A mob variously estimated between 100 and 200, mostly boys and young men, attacked the building of the Asheville Power and Light company last night, throwing bricks and stones against the sides of the building and smashing several of the windows. Both plate glass windows on the Patton averue side were broken. The police made seven arrests and about 1 o'clock the crowd dispersed. The attack was made at intervals, beginning on the Asheland avenue side, where most of the windows were covered with wire netting, which did not always protect the glass. The officers finally drove the crowd out of Asheland avenue, and later they began to bombard the Pattop avenus side, where the windows were unprotected. There was great

probably 300 or 400 people who took no part in the bombardment. Someone on the inside shot five times and the crowd quickly scattered, but a few minutes later returned to the at-

Instructions Not Carried Out. Notwithstanding the order of the chief of police to his men yesterday morning that they were not to allow any owds to congregate anywhere in the city, the people, most of them harm-less leafers, began to gather on the square about noon, and no arrests were made. The police stood and chatted with the members of the crowd. The only apparent effort moving was by the order of Captain W. H. Byrd of the sanitary department, who had a sprinkler driver through the crowd on the square and around the cars while they stopped or the square. In the afternoon, however, Alderman Fitzpatrick strenuous ly objected to this, on the ground that it was "making the people mad" and that they were not doing any harm, were trying to make up a mob to pul the strikebreakers from the cars, and word that the police would not anything," and that no one would be harmed if he attacked the strike

brenkers Began to Be Boisterous But the people on the square were entirely quiet until night. Shortly after dark, they began to be boisterouand later they marched in a body to the corner of Patton and Ashelan avenes, followed by some of the offi-cers. This crowd had increased sincdarkness until there were possibly 500. The crowd was led by about 150 oys and young men, who took up their position at the entrance to the car sheds on Asheland avenue. This reet is not very well lighted and part of the mob were able to dispose themcives in the darkness. At first they confined their activities to howls and shouts and to making noise in various Some of them found a big water heater and they rolled this up and down the pavement creating a great Finally a brick was thrown against the building, after which there was a shower f missiles, and severa windows were broken. Stones were also aimed at the arc light, which however, was not hit. The officers then got busy and made seven ar-

Shortly before 12 o'clock Chief yerly ordered Asheland avenue clear ed which was soon done; but the per le stopped on Patton avenue, and short time later the missiles were directed against this side, and the plate class windows were broken. It was bout this time that someone inside fired a pistol several times, which had he effect of scattering the crowd. But they soon came together again and remained until after 1 o'clock

Inside the building were several offiers with the strikebreakers; and they made ready to resist attack in case opinion of the thinking people of the the mob should attempt to break into the building. Instructions were given loacan, as to the course of defense in this Chief Discusses Criticism of the Force

Chief Lyerly was told this morning that there had been criticism that his men had not obeyed orders in keeping men had not obeyed orders in keeping to be at Lampasos. No opposition the crowd moving and off the streets worthy of mention is reported to have yesterday and last night. He replied that the officers had not carried out his orders as he had meant for then to; but that the situation is unprece dented and he recognized that best to do under the circumstances. With reference to the damage that was done last night he said that it was unlooked for, and that most of the time the crowd was quiet and good natured, so that his men did no expect them to begin any disorder. He said that he disliked the idea of having the militia called out, that h could handle the crowd with the proper number of men, if he could get them. He declared that he was ha ing trouble getting the men he needed; that few people wished to serve as special officers; and that it looked ed now as if he would have to compe or not. He stated that the company has so much property to look after and protect that he did not know last night where it would be best to con-centrate his forces; and that he was ot expecting any frouble at the car

An attempt was made by some per-son or persons last night about 8 o'clock to plunge the city in darkness. One of the transmission wires of the One of the transmission wires of the North Carolina Electrical company, which furnishes light to the city was partly pulled down. A rope was thrown over the wire, and it was jerked from the hole. But the attempt to break it was not successful, Resolution That Will Be Offered. Following is the text of resolution that will be offered at the mass meeting tentish for adoption:

We the Citizens of the City of Ashr-ville and County of Buncombe in inse-Meeting Assembled, and Re-



AT LAST

## SITUATION GRAVE EXTRA SESSION

Widespread Disorder, Increas ed Tax Levies and Worthless Currency Issues

Reported.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, May 1.-Foreign mer chants in Cludad Porfirio Diaz, Sabinas, Allende, Muzqui and other towns in Coahuila, will close their shops be cause of General Carranza's decre forcing his paper money into circula-Taxes have been raised 20 per cent to finance the Carranza cam-

The situation in Acapulco is repre sented as grave. There is widespread disorder throughout the state of Mich-

Reports in Porfirio Diaz indicate that the administration forces under Generals Lopez and Cheche Campo are slowly marching north on Moncolva. General Trucy Aubert is said been made by the Carranzaistas.

### dented and he recognized that the MINT FORCE MAY OCCUPY MONTENEGRIN SEAPORTS

Powers Are Considering a Further Demonstration Against King Nicholas.

By Associated Press

London, May 1 .- A proposal that he Montenegrin seaports of Antivariand Dulcigno shall be occupied by a joint international force of Austrian, Italian and British troops as a fur-ther demonstration to King Nicholas that the powers are resolved to carry out their decision in regard to Scutari was made at today's meeting of the ambassadors in London.

Should Austria-Hungary accept this addresses deploring the fact that the middle course, its adoption would alcarriers had not decided to treat the low time for further pressure on state fairly. Montenegro and for an arrangement o provide her with compensation of

commission reviewed the whole matter and declared that if he had conneighbors that it has the greatest deference for them and declares the cautpre of Scutari to be in no way a feffance of their announced decision to give the former Torkish fortress to Albania. At the same time Monteners auggests that there is room for discussion and reservies the right of the course of the question of Scutari to the course of the peace negotias.

Editor Johnson thought the failures of the course of the peace negotias.

Governor's Words at Close of Railroad Conference Taken to Indicate This Possibility.

APPEAL TO PEOPLE ON ISSUES INVOLVED

Intense Feeling Evidenced of the Shippers-Members of Commission Deeply

Disappointed,

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, May 1 .- Governor Craig, in adjourning the freight rate conference North Carolina would get justice by localities is of much greater importantly manner and pledged himself to appeal to the people on the issues involved.

"With this in mind, the carriers now

to the state's proposition for a settle- is believed that such an advance, hing in return. The intense feeling turbance in commercial conditions. on the part of the hundred shippers here Tuesday and yesterday was more in evidence at the close of the confer- ner, and the plan above propose ence than at any time previous, the fact that their trouble and that of the tion than any other, their ability-al special commission had been wasted, ready limited—to provide such addithat the railroads had violated the letter and spirit of their representations be necessary to take care of the grow-February 26 and that all that the car- ing demands of the country will b ders had offered were fallacious obections to honest efforts to correct aleged great injustices had been treated as coldly as if the state was asking

or a favor rather than for justice. Chairman E. L. Travis of the cor-Charlotte, Norman Johnson of Loughburg. Representative E. J. Justice and ludge W. B. Council all made short

Mr. Justice disclaimed displaying any spirit of vindictiveness. He thought J. Norment Powell, general counsel of the Clinchfield, had tried to The reply of Montenegro to the de-counsel of the Clinchfield, had tried to do something and he wished that Mr. utar) was received today by the Powell had plenary power to treat, but Mr. Justice realized that Mr. Powit is non-committal in character and all was up against a stiff proposition ops the door open for further negotions.

Lines in Eastern Territory Want Five Per Cent Raise in Tolls.

By Associated Press. New York, May 1 .- Railroads of the eastern territory having discussed the freight rate problem, have decided to ask the interstate commerce commission to allow a five per cent inrease on freight of all character.

This was made known today in the Baltimore & Ohio ratiroad.

"When the matter of an increase in rates of freight was considered three years ago," says Mr. Willard's statement, "it was proposed by the railroads to increase generally the socalled class rates and some of the commodity rates. It was urged by those opposed to the suggested advances that a fairer and better way to obtain an increase, if necessary, would be by a small advance on all rates in states in which advances are proposed, esterday afternoon, told the railroad and it has been very clearly brought representatives that the people of out that the relation of rates between

This declaration followed several hope to obtain the consent of hours of fruitless consideration of commission for an advance of five per mere objections offered by the carriers cent on freight of all character and it ment, the railroads not offering any- granted, will create little if any disincrease their revenue in some man

seems likely to meet with less opposi very seriously impaired." Killed in Duel.

(By Associated Press) Oklahoma City, May 1 .- As an out growth of the Jay county seat con-troversy, Harvey Johnson and Columbus Moore, farmers living a Grove, fought a duel last night which Moore was shot through carriers had not decided to treat the heart and instantly killed. He was or state fairly.

Johnson's, farm at the time.

Two Burned in House

Oswego, N. Y., May 1.—Two mer ally injured in a fire which partly destroyed the Healy house, a three story structure, here today. The vic tims were trapped in their rooms the top floor.

Buffalo Store Employes Strike.

By Associated Press, Buffalo, N. Y., May 1.—Over 250 department store employes, involving overy store of the kind in Buffalo, went on strike this morning for increased wages and shorter hours. Employes of hardware and five and tenent stores purticipated in the strike.

### NEGRÓ SLAYER **ELUDES POSSE**

# UN THE STAND

Suspected Atlanta Man Grilled as to His Knowledge of Girl's Death.

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Ga., May 1.-Important developments are looked for by Corone Donehoo and Chief of Detectives Lanford when investigation of the death of 14 years old Mary Phagan is re sumed at the inquest this afternoon.

Leo M. Frank, superintendent of the National Pencil company, where the body of the murdered girl was found, Sunday morning, is expected to be called to the stand and his examination will probably occupy most of the jury's time.

Frank is under arrest in connection with the case and has been repeatedly examined by detectives. A new turn was given the case at the hearing yes-

Eight or more witnesses probably will be called by the coroner and more light is expected on the movements of the dead girl Saturday afternoon.

Without reaching a verdict as to the mysterious death of Mary Phagan, whose mutilated body was found Sunday morning in the National Pencil company's plant, the coroner's inques was adjourned early last night until his afternoon. The inquest was begun Monday, but witnesses were heard for he first time at sessions this marning

At the afternoon session of the in juest interest centered chiefly in the estimony of G. W. Epps, a 15 years old newsboy. Epps testified that Mary Phagan had requested him to call by the pencil factory on several occasions because, she told him, Mr. Frank had sometimes rushed out of the factory ahead of her and winked at her as she went past. Lee M. Frank, superintendent of the factory, is under arrest in connection with the case, but did not testify yesterday before the in-

Young Epps, who lives near the home of Mary Phagan, testified that he came to the city with the girl Saturday morning. According to his testimony they parted on Forsyth street. only a short distance from the pencil tory, with the understanding tha she was to go there, secure wages amounting to \$1.60 due her, and meet Epps at Peachtree street and Five Points, where they planned to witness

the memorial day parade.

The witness testified that he waited it the rendezvous for more than two hours, but that he never saw the girl dense Savannah river swamps alive again. At 7 o'clock Saturday evening he went to the girl's home to ascertain why she had failed to meet statement issued by President Willard him and found J. W. Coleman, the girl's stepfather, just leaving the

house to look for the girl. Young Epps described the clothes worn by the girl Saturday and later identified the blood-stained garments found on the body of the girl as the same she wore Saturday morning.

Only one witness introduced who knew the Phagan girl testified that he saw her after the hour she reached the pencil factory last Saturday. Edgar L. Sentell, a grocery wagon driver, testified that he saw the girl on Forsyth street about midnight in company with a young man he believed to be arthur Mullinax. Mullinax is under have been captured during the early Miss Pearl Robinson testified that she went to a theater with Mullinax Saturday night.

R. P. Barrett, an employe at the pencil factory, told of finding blood stains on a lathe in the pencil fac-He also testified that he found blood spots on the floor of the machine room in the factory and that an atempt apparently had been made to bliterate the stains with white wash.

he National Pencil factory, was the principal witness of the morning. Lee said Frank's actions on Saturday were unusual. For instance, he had told im to come to work at 4 o'clock and when he had arrived he told him to go away and come back at 6 o'clock. That night he said Frank had called him up on the telephone and asked him if everything was all right. said that the superintendent has never called him up at fight before.

### RODNEY'S MISTAKE

12-Year-Old Connects High Ball with Golf Ball—Stomach Pump Saves Him.

By Associated Press.
Wilmington, Del., May 1,—Rodney
Warren, a 12 years old caddle who eard players at the Wilmington Country club discussing "high balls" yes-terday, gathered the idea that the drink was in some way connected with the golf ball. He cut open one of the which he drank. A stomach pump saved his life. The doctor found the iquid in the ball was highly impreg-nated with arsenic.

Four Sallors Drowned.

Black Run Amuck Makes Way Through Cordon and Then Plunges into Savannah Swamps.

TWO DEAD, ANOTHER DYING FROM WOUNDS

Still Others Wounded in Desperate Encounter With Assailant of South

Carolina Woman.

(By Associated Press) Columbia, S. C., May 1.—Advices re-ceived here shortly after noon from Estill say that Richard H. Austin, the negro murderer, escaped from a pond surrounded by 400 men and is mak-

surrounded by 400 men and is making for the Savannah river and the Georgia line, bothy pursued
Augusta, Ga., May L.—According to a telephone message from B. J. Hiers of Allendale, S. C., Richard Henry Austin, murderer of two and terday, when George Epps, 15 years would-be slayer of four other white old, a friend of the Phagan girl, told men, evaded the posses that surroundthe jury that Mary had said she was ed the little swamp in which he took getting afraid of Frank because of his refuge Wednesday night, and the negro is now supposed to be in the dense Savannah river swamps, which are only three or four miles from the place where Austin made first stand and where Frank Bowers and B. H. Edenfield were killed and quartet of others wounded. Hiers says that big fires , had been built on the outer edge of the 2-acre swamp in which Austin was hiding and that negroes in the vicinity helped keep the fires going by cutting wood and piling it on the fires. Austin walked out of the swamp unobserved and mingled with the other negroes about 4 o'clock this morning. His gun, he hid under his coat so that only a small portion of it was visible and in the light of the fire it passed for an axe handle. Suddeny someone recognized Austin's voice. but before he could be seized or shot he made a break for another swamp. A fusiliade of shots were fired at him, but evidently none took effect and he made good his escape,

> but the negro had not been captured up until 9:30 Thursday morning. The bodies of Mr. Bowers and Magistrate Edenfield were taken from the

temporarily at least. Bloodhounds

from the South Carolina penitentlars

were put on the trail at daybreal

swamp late Wednesday night. A long distance telephone rom Hampton, S. C., to the Augusta Herald at 9 o'clock was to the effect. that the negro had not been captured, according to the best information available at that time. A posse scouring the swamps for the negro and he is said to be in hiding in the miles from Hampton. town is in great excitement over the killing of Frank Bowers and Magistrate F. H. Edenfield and the shooting of Dr. E. C. Moore, McTeer Bowers, George Hanna and another white man The injured, with the exception of Dr. Moore, who was rushto Columbia, will recover it is thought. Deputy Sheriff J. P. Bow-

ers of Hampton county and Sheriff J. B. Morris of Barnwell county, are leading posses in the search, Blood-hounds are assisting the searchers for the negro. The distance from Hampton to the swamp where the negro was in hiding is off such length that it was possible, according to the Hermorning hours and the news not reached Hampton by 9 A. M. It was not believed that the negro much more ammunition and that it would be a question of just a short time before he would be captured. After midnight it was thought unlikely that he would be captured before daybreak. Two Hampton county white men

were killed and several wounded in last night with Richard Henry Austin, a negro, accused of attempting to criminally assault a white woman at Luray, S. C. The dead are J. Frank Bowers, a Hampton county Magistrate F. H. Edenfield of Allenwounded include dale, S. C. The George Hanna, McTeer Bowers, an unidentified white men and Dr. S. C. Moore. Dr. Moore and an unknown

men are probably fatally injured. Austin is alleged to have gone to the home of a well known citizen of Luray and attempted an assault upon a young woman, about 4 o'clock in the afternon. Cries of his intended victim are said to have attracted pussersby. The negro escaped and sought refuge in a thick woods. He was armed with a shot gun, a bag filled with shells, a large revolver and a belt filled with cartridges.

When the pursuers approached the negro in the woods he penetrated fur: ther to a little bay nearly entirely surrounded by heavy undergrowth. As attempt was made to follow by the white men and the negro opened fire. In the first exchange of short J. Frank Bowers was killed, Dr. Moore fatally wounded and George Hanna was shot

in the back.

About 8 o'clock last night Magistrate F. H. Edenfield, of Allendale, who had joined the posse, attempted to lead a dash into the swamp. He was shot and instantly killed and an unidentified man with him was probably fatally wounded. Cordon was drawn around the section of the swamp where the negro was at buy and reinforcements sent for.