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Ranking Minority Member Of Ways and Means

EXPECTS SOON TO BE IN HARNESS FOR FIGHTING

Expected Happens When Dem. ocratic Caucus Of House Effort To Land Johnson

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By EDWARD E. BRITTON (By Special Leased Wire)

Washington, April 9.-The expected happened when at the caucus of the Democrata of the House, Congressman Claude Kitchin, of Scotland Neck, was of five men was found. made the Democratic choice for speak er, and was again chosen for a place on the Ways and Means committee, being the ranking Democratic member and by virtue of this becoming the minority floor leader, Congressman Kitchin was placed in nomination by Congressman Pou, of North Carolina who paid high tribute to him, the nomi nation being seconded by Congressman Finis J. Garrett, of Tennessee, the

election being unanimous. Mr. Kitchin returned warm thanks for honor done him, and referring to his selection as the Democratic nominee for speaker and thinking of the Reblican majority, said with a laugh publican majority, said with may not be The entire North Carolina delegation was present at the caucus some members having arrived during the morning.

There was one Democratic vacancy on the Ways and Means committee, and Representative Peter J. Tague, of Massachusetts, was elected to this, de-feating on a close vote Representative Carl Hayden, of Arizona, whose defeat is held to be due to the fact that when the Fordney Republican emergency tariff bill was before the House he voted for it. There will be a meet ing of the caucus next week at which matters of policy and program for the session will be discussed. The assignment of members to committees will be made by Congressman Kitchin, who is on the committee of committees.

To Adhere To Tried Policies.

"All matters affecting policies will be decided by the Democratic caucus," said Mr. Kitchin after the meeting. "In the fight against the Fordney bill we will not lose ten votes. The Democratic policies are fixed, were fixed 75 years ago. We will adhere to them and we are going to act in harmony all. The caveators still have a number of and we are going to act in harmony all along the line." In regard to his personal health Mr. Kitchin, who looked remarkably well, said that the dinziness, witnesses. The importance of the case caused by some ear trouble, which has lately affected him, was passing away, and that he was feeling fine. "For the maiden white women, living in the litnext three or four weeks," have asked Representative Garrett, of Tennessee, to set for me on the floor of the House, and after that I expect most identical in terms, in which the to get at the duty to which I have been

Washington negroes are backing the fight to have a negro Register of the Treasury, they have filed a petition with President Harding protesting against the protest of the 507 white women of the office of the register that they be spared the "intelerable" con-dition of having to take orders and do work for a negro, with Henry Lincoln Johnson, the negro Republican National committeeman from Georgia as the possible appointee. The negro protest is signed by the officers of the Wash-ington branch of the National association for the advancement of colored people, the organization that is demanding a negro assistant secretary of inbor and of agriculture.

Recall Pre-Election Promis The petition to President Harding declares "Among the many cherished hopes for better things to come from the restored Republican power is the hope of millions of negro citizens that the Republican party will live up to its pre-election platform promises to "give justice and a square deal." Urging that office giving should not be determined by racial identity, the petition continues, "Knowing as we do the insidiousness of race prejudice and the way in which it is carried by the propagands we have no hesitancy in saying that should this petition, based solely on race prejudice, influence your actions in the premises, it would not be long before you and Congress would be flooded by similar petitions protesting against the appointment of persons of color to positions in the government." appointment of persons of color to itions in the government."/

It is very evident from the way the wind blows that negro appointments are to liven up the proceedings of the Congress that meets Monday.

There will be men in Congress who will stand up for the white women. A number of North Carolina representatives are expected to aid the young women in their protest. Representa-tives W. D. Upshaw of Georgia, who has been in Georgia for a week, wired his protest sgainst a negro register the treasury to President Harding. He approved the course of white women employees in protesting against work-ing under the direction of a negro. In telegram he said that if the new administration feels it must pay a political debt or perform what it conceiv to be a policy of fairness by giving appointive recognition of the negro, "Allow see to urge in the name of these hundreds of white women, irrespective of party or section and especially speaking on behalf of those who come from Georgia and many other states of the South, that this political recog-

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FIND MISSING NAVAL Fishing Smack Picks Up Dere. lict, But Finds No Trace Of

Pensacola, Fin., April 9.—The find-ing of the Naval balloon A-5604, miss-ing from the air station here with five men since March 22, has not explained North Carolinian Continues As
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The wreck of the balloon was found

floating in the Gulf about 50 miles due south of Panama City and 26 1-2 miles southwest of Cape San Blas et 7 o'clock Friday night, but it was four o'clock this morning before Captain Ecker, of the fishing smack Electra sailed into Panama City with the balloon aboard

his vessel. The basket was about 18 feet under Members Nominates Tar the surface, according to Captain Ecker. The fishing schooner sighted the balloon about a mile distant, but Speaker; Negroes Continue took it first for another smack in dis tress. On closer approach, however, Captain Ecker recognized the dereliet as the missing balloon and immediately hastened to take it abourd.

No Trace of Crew. Washington, April 9.—The Navy department late today received confirmation of the finding of the missing navy balloon A-5604 by the fishing boat Electra off Cape San Blas last night. The gas bag and basket were intact, the messages said, but no trace of the ere-

EXPERT WITNESSES

Testimony To Show Woman Non Compos Mentis

Monroe, April 9 .- Dr. Isaac Taylor, head of the Broad Oak Sanitarium at Morganton, testified in the Ross will case today that if the jury finds the statements set out in the hypothetical question propounded by attorneys for caveators to be true, Miss Maggie Ross was mentally incompetent to make a will in 1907 when she is alleged to have signed her last will and testament which eaveators are trying to have set aside.
Dr. Taylor was admitted as an expert.
Dr. H. D. Stewart, of Monroe, testified in answer to the hypothetical question and also of his own knowledge, that he did not think Maggie Ross had sufficient mental capacity to make a

Mrs. Amanda Howard, of Waxhaw Mrs. Amanda Howard, of Waxhaw, for many years a neighbor of the Boss family, and Claude P. Edwards, of Charlotte, who had risited in the home frequently since 1901, both testified that Maggie Boss had inferior mentality and transacted no business that they knew of. Court adjourned at 1 o'clock

witnesses. The importance of the case may justify a brief resume of the facts.

said he, "I the village of Marvin in Sandy Ridge estate owned by them as tenants in common and consisting of about 1,400 neres of farm lands and (at that time) about \$15,000 in money, was left to the surviving sister during her life time and at her death to be disposed of as

follows: About \$15,000 to individuals, churches, hospitals, schools and mission boards; and the balance of the estate to be divided between Robert B. Ross, colored, who had been reared in their home, and Mittie Belle Houston, his daughter, who had also been reared largely in the home of the Ross women. Miss Sallie Boss, the elder by about eight years, died in 1909. A few weeks later Maggie Boss made a codicil to the will cutting off the wife of Robert Ross, colored, who had been given a small amount under the original will, and bequeathing a thousand dollars to her business agent, R. A. Hudson, promin-ent citizen of her community. The will of Sallie Ross was not offered for probate until after the death of Maggie Ross in May, 1920, when both wills were offered together and probated at the same time, with R. A. Hudson and R. B. Redwine as executors. As soon as the provisions of the will became known a number of second, third and fourth cousins, there being no first cousins or nearer relatives of the women surviving, filed a caveat to the will in behalf of themselves and others who might make themselves parties to the action When the case came to trial more than when the case came to trial more than a hundred enveators had joined the action as parties plaintiff, alleging that the will of Maggie Ross is invalid on the ground that she did not have mental capacity to make a will, and if she did have mental capacity to make a will this particular will was obtained by undue influence exerted upon her by her sister, Sallie A. Ross, the negro benefic-inries, Robert Ross and Mittie Belle Henston, and others.

WILSON TOBACCO PLANT DESTROYED BY BLAZE

Wilson, April 9.—Fire that started at 11:30 o'clock tonight destroyed the Wilson Tobacco Company's plant, a five story building owned by the Dib-brell brothers, of Danville, Va., with an estimated loss of several hundred thousand dollars. A great quantity of tobacco was also burned.

Sheds in the yard, used by the American Tobacco Company were also destroyed and the fire threstened to spread to oil tanks of the Standard Oil Company. It is not known how the fire

Elizabeth City Veteran Dies. Elizabeth City, April 9.-John H. Burgess, 78, adjutant of the William P. showed 6,284,765 tons of unfilled order Martin Camp United Confederate Veton hand March 31. This is a decrease erans, died at his home here early to-

BALLOON IN THE GULF NOT TRUSTING TOO MUCH TO FEDERAL FORCES SAYS WADE

They Often Wait Until Horse Is Stolen Before Locking Door

CONTINUES CAMPAIGN AGAINST OIL STOCKS

Will Use The Law As Far As It Will Reach, and Then Warn The People Of Efforts To Swindle Them By Mail; De. fends Attacks On Texas Cor. poration; Orders An Arrest

Insurance Commissioner Stacey W. Wade has no intention of waiting until the horse is stolen before he locks the door, even if distainguished precedent is set for him by the Federal authorities, and he will warn the people when he thinks that they are being fleeced or are about to be fleeced by stock salesmen, whether they come in person, or disseminate their wares through the

ment issued by him yesterday in answer to the charge that he had acted without authority in his attack upon the International Petreleum Corpora-Morganton Alienist Adds His
Testimony To Show Worman company that licenses are too high in this State. The license is \$200, "truly a small amount for a company with the holdings and prospects claimed by the International."

Take Man In Wilming While issuing the statement to news-paper men, Mr. Wade gave orders to a departmental clerk to direct the pelice authorities in Wilmington to arrest and authorities in Wilmington to arrest and hold J. C. Wright, an alleged repre-sentative of the Texas Eagle Oil and Refining Co., of Fort Worth, which ac-cording to reports made to the Com-missioner, has not observed the formali-ties required for resident salesmen of their stock. The operations of Wright were reported yesterday morning by a well known legal firm in Wilmington. Commissioner Wade declared that in

his attack upon the International, intended no discourtesy to the two North Carelinians whose names are being used by the company. He feels that the people of the State are looking to the Insurance Department for protection, and he intends to give it to them, using the law where it will work, and warning them of companies that cannot be reached by State laws. His statement follows:

"My action in this matter was prompted by an earnest desire to protect the people of North Carelina

test the people of North Carolina against a repetition of the disastrous financial results that followed the big stock exploitation campaigns of 1918 and 1920. My attack was launched against the company itself and not against the two well-known North Carolinians whose names the company is using so freely.

"In doing this I assumed no authority North Carolina are looking to the Insurance Department for protection and when any concern violates either the spirit or the letter of the law, the peomediate action when the matter comes to the attention of the Insurance De

Where Federal Law Fails "I am aware of the fact that these mail order stock selling campaigns are supposed to be checked up and consupposed to be checked up and con-trolled by the Federal government. I am also aware of the fact that it usually happens that many of them get away with thousands, often millions, long before the Federal government steps in and stops them. Usually, when the Federal government locks the stable door it is found that the horse has already been stolen.

"The State's Blue Sky Law was passe for the purpose of requiring all such companies as the International Petroleum Company to submit to a careful examination before doing business in North Carolina. The license fee is only \$200, truly a small amount for a company with the holdings and the pros-pects claimed by the International. "I wish that the Federal government

could be depended upon to protect the people of North Carolina. It would save the Insurance Department an immense amount of labor, but experience teaches us that it can not. When Uncle Sam stopped Ponzi it was found that he had already salted away many, many millions. Pandolfo of Pan Motor started with nothing and cleaned up a million in a year. When Uncle Sam stopped him thousands of men had been ruined. The Federal Trade Commission, after an exhaustive investigation, reported that the people of the United States lost half a billion dollars in fake stock in 1920, and that \$125,000,000 worth of Liberty Bonds had been traded

for worthless stock. "All this time Uncle Sam and his agents were on the job, but the crooks got away with it. Manifestly, there-fore, other agencies are needed and in the Insurance Department the people of North Carolina have established such an agency. They expect it to function along these lines and this it will do, no

matter whom it hurts." BALD EAGLE KILLED BY AN ANSON COUNTY MAN

Wadesboro, April 9 .- C. D. Thomas of Morven shot a big bald eagle that measured 6 feet from tip to tip. The eagle was shot at a fish pond owned by Mr. Thomas. Eagles are rarely ever seen in this country and the big bird excited quite a good deal of interest.

Decrease In Steel Orders. New York, April 9.—The monthly tonnage report for the United States Steel Corporation, made public today, showed 6,284,765 tons of unfilled orders from unfilled orders on February 28, which were 6,933,867 tons.

Little Improvement Shown In World Trade Conditions

Few Signs of Better Financial and Economic Conditions In the Near Future Seen By Trade Commissioners and Com-mercial Attaches In Foreign Countries; March Trade Sum-maries Received; Trade Unsatisfactory In Europe

Washington, April 9.—Financially and economically the situation throughout the world improved but little in March, with few signs of better conditions to come, according to cabled summaries for the mouth received today by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commercial Attache Cross at Brussels declared high exchange rates and unsatisfactory business conditions controls.

In Furnace tight received to a day in the mouth. The situation also was described as influenced by the question of the Upper Silesian plebiscite, the British coal strike and the situation also was described as influenced by the question of the Upper Silesian plebiscite, the British coal strike and the situation also was described as influenced by the question of the Upper Silesian plebiscite, the British coal strike and the situation in Hungary.

Commercial Attache Cross at Brussels declared high exchange rates and unsatisfactory business conditions continued to impede revival of the sale of American goods in Belgium.

In Europe tight money, unemployment and unsatisfactory industrial and ing
shipping conditions were in evidence, Adz
while some declines in prices and elight
revival of building activities were noted. In the east the situation was described and as somewhat easier, while in South America conditions were reported as practically unchanged from the pre-

vious month. Commercial Attache Dennis reported that the business depression in Great Britain had increased owing to the pres pective failure of an early settlemen with Germany on the reparations quescotton textile industry has been dissi-pated, he declared, both by the increase in customs tariff of British India and a further decline in the price of silver. The Russian trade agreement is not expected appreciably to benefit business he added, and traders are holding of secure assurance as to the legality

U. 8. Imports Reduced. American imports into France con-tinus to show marked reductions, Com-mercial Attache Huntington at Paris informed the bureau. Unsettled European conditions, the unsatisfactory re sult of the reparations conference and the refusal of Germany to pay install-ments due on account of reparations

Government expenditures are exceeding revenue in Germany, Howard W Adams, representing the Department of merce in Berlin, cabled. He added and reported prices of manufactured goods as about the same as last year goods as about the same as last year while stocks on hand are greater. An increased flow of German capital into Austria is apparent to Mr. Upson, the department's representative in

Anxiety In Scandinavia countries as to future developments in Bussia and Germany, Trade Commis-sioner Anderson, of Copenhagen, stated

Doubt he said prevails as to whether the British-Russian trade agreement will result in important trade relations between the two countries. Foreign investment capital, directed argely to railroad improvement, is

armold at Peking reported. An increased flow of British, Japanese and Belgian capital is noted, he said.

The money situation is easier in Japan, Commercial Attache Abbott, of Tokio, declared, adding that some progress was being made towards deflation Stocks of both import and export merchandise are becoming smaller, with

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NEARING THE END

Ashevifle Jurist Develops Pneumonia And Not Expected To Live Through Night

Asheville, April 9 .- Judge Jeter Conley Pritchard, presiding officer of the fourth eircuit United States Court of

fourth eircuit United States Court of appeals, is dying at the Mission has pital here. He is not expected to live through the night and hope has been given up that he can recover.

Despite his extremely critical condition and withe unconscious he developed pneumonia this afternoon. Messages are pouring in here from many sections of United States expressing sympathy and sorrow at the distinguished jurist's condition.

Judge Pritchard has been ill for several weeks but his condition took a

eral weeks but his condition took turn for the worse a few days ago and he was again removed to the hospital.

ARREST 23 ON CHARGE

Philadelphia, Pa., April 9.—Twentyprocession of 150 men and women which the police say was marching toward Cramp Shipyard, were arrested today charged with inciting to riot. They were held for a hearing. police dispersed the procession without much trouble and no one was injured. the The authorities received a report that Bell. workers leaving the shipyard,

strike has been in progress since the first of the year, would be attacked and a large force of policemen was on duty to prevent a repetition of an at-tack made on workers leaving the plant on Thursday.

2,044 PERSONS KILLED IN RAILWAY ACCIDENTS

Washington, April 9.—Railroad acci-dents resulted in the death of 2,044 persons for the quarter ending Sep-tember 30, 1920, and injury of 17,947 others as against 1,763 killed and 14, 738 injured for the same quarter in 1920 and 2,429 killed and 16,4446 injured for the third quarter of 1918, according to a report issued today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Plenty of Candidates Offered Wadesboro, April 9.-It is rumore that there will be several candidates in the field for Mayor and aldermen in the approaching primary in this city. E. K. Dunlap, a former Mayor, will be a candidate, he having already an-nounced, and a "working man's ticket" will, it is said, be brought out, repre-nented by Tillman Brown or Sam Boswell. Mayor H. P. Taylor declined to be a candidate for renomination.

SOLICITOR BROCK FAILS TO TURN OTHER CHEEK

A rather unusual occurrence took place Wednesday afternoon, says. The Stanly Herald, when a Mrs. Hinson was placed on the witness stand in Albemarle Superior Court to testify in behalf of a defendant, indicted for making bootleg liquor. Solicitor Walter E. Brock, one time secretary of the Democratic State executive committee, went after the woman rather vigorously on cross examination, asking her among other things if she didn't among other things if she didn't let the defendant come to her well to get water to opgrate a still. Mrs. Hisson protested earnestly that she did not and americal that she was bitterly opposed to the manufacture of whiskey.

manufacture of whiskey.

After the woman had been dismissed, she walked from the witness atand and passing by Solicitor Brock dealt him a sharp blow on the cheek. The affair brought down the house and the solemnity of the court was rudely disturbed for a moment. Solicitor Brock took the occurrence good naturedly, "

FOR SUBSISTENCE

Wife Of Charlotte Publisher Asks That Deed Signed By Her Be Made Inoperative

Charlotte, April 9 .- Two complaints have been filed by Mrs. Ellen G. Dowd with the clerk of the Mecklenburg superior court, one against W. C. Dowd it and the News Publishing Company, asking that the court make inoperative a deed signed by Mrs. Dowd, conveying the property at the corner of Church and Fourth streets to the News Publishing Company. The other is against W. C. Dowd is which the plaintiff asks the court to make provision to secure her necessary subsistence.

The complaints were signed by Tillett and Guthrie, attorneys, for the plain. He

and Guthrie, attorneys, for the plain-tiff. In the complain against Mr. Dowd and the News Publishing Company the plaintiff allegee:

without reading the instrument, with-out knowing its contents, she did sign the instrument and went before Mr. crai Doyle Campbell.

'Notary inquired whether she signed it freely and voluntarily and that she replied that she did not, but at her

seband's request.
"That the same day the defendant informed her that the instrument com veyed the real estate to the News Pub lishing Company and she expressed surprise and dissatisfaction, that he had secured her signature. That the defend ant was the owner of practically all of the stock of the News Publishing Company, that he was president and general manager and managed it exclusively as his individual property; that the recitals in the certificate of the privy examination are erroneous and

Allegation is made that the instru-ment had no legal effect to convey her rights, but that it is a cloud upon her contingent right of dower and that the defendants are claiming that by reason of her signature to the instrument she conveyed all her interest in the prop-

erty.

As a result of these allegations the plaintiff asks that the court adjudge the deed as inoperative to convey or transfer any rights which the plaintiff may

have in the property.

In the complaint of Ellen G. Dowd against W. C. Dowd, the plaintiff alleges that the defendant separated himself tigation. from her and failed to provide her any subsistence whatever, that the defendant is a man of large means and en-joys a large income, and that as his wife she is entitled to have secured from his property necessary subsistence aclife, and saks that the court take such steps as are necessary to ascertain what property he has and his income and make the necessary provision for her subsistence.

Asked as to the charges filed with Clerk of the Court C. C. Moore by Mrs. W. C. Dowd against W. C. Dowd and the News Publishing Company Mr. Dowd expressed the opinion that the had not reached a stage which justified newspaper publication except for gratification of gossips and scandal mongers.

Mr. Dowd stated further that while

CONVICT WILLIAMS ON MURDER CHARGE IN GEORGIA COURT

Makes Motion For New Trial Following Sentence To Life Imprisonment

TAKEN TO ATLANTA TO **AWAIT ACTION APRIL 30**

Plantation Owner Accused Of Causing Deaths Of Eleven Negroes Takes Sentence Calmly; Jasper County Jury To Start Inquiry Into Eight Other Deaths Monday

Covington, Ga., April 9.- John 8 Williams, Jasper county farmer, was taken to Atlanta and placed in jail today to await action April 30 on his motion for a new trial, which was made here today immediately after he was tiations. convicted and sentenced to life-time im-prisonment on a charge of murder. He expressed confidence he would finally be prisonment on a charge of murder. He

the killing of eleven negro farm hands after Department of Justice agents had started to investigate alleged peonage charges on his farm February 18, last. Three of the negroes, including Lindsay Peterson, whom he was specifically would interfere with necessary measured with killing at the trial ending ures for the safety of the mines. today, were alleged to have been brought into Newton county and

The other eight negroes were declared by Manning, negro farm boss and self-confessed accomplice, to have been killed in Jasper county and inquiry by the grand jury with a view to in-the grand jury with a view to indieting Williams and threee of his sons is to open there Monday. Defendant Calm.

Williams appeared to take his conviction calmly, but when his wife and daughters broke into sobs, their grief affected him and he struggled to hide his emotions as he sought to comfort them. He was allowed to remain in the court room with them for ten or fifteen minutes before being taken to Atlanta. Date for trial of Williams on the other two indictments here has not been set, nor has the court announced when Manning will be tried, although it was indicated the negro would face a jury before the regular July term. Counsel for Williams hold that he cannot be tried on the indictment charging murder of Willie Preston, whose body was found chained to that of Peterson, but the State contends the indictment resulting from the death of Preston i a separate one and that he can be tried on it as well as on the third indictment charging murder of another negro Harry Price. The defense contended the drowning of Peterson and Preston

his sons and Clyde Manning, negro ture of the paper that he would tell her farm boss, on charges of the murder of later, that it was not necessary for her a total of fourteen negroes and indictto know then; urged her to sign the in- ments against six r seven other citistrument and go before W. M. Bell, notary public in the adjoining office, and acknowledge the instrument, that without reading the instrument, with-

HARRIS TEMPORARILY CHARGED WITH MURDER

Charge Withdrawn After Tele. gram Is Explained; Whit. man To Question Man

Buffalo, N. Y., April 9.—Roy Harris, whose confession of complicity in the murder of Joseph B. Elwell, New York sportsman and card expert, has puzzled the Buffalo and New York police for two days, had a first degree murder charge placed against him for four hours tonight. The charge was placed opposite his name on the police of the Niagara street station at 6 o'clock. At 10 o'clock Police Chief Higgins announced the charge would be withdrawn and the man would be held

on an open charge.

The charge of murder against Harris was a mistake, it was stated, due to the faulty transmission of a telegram, which advised Chief Higgins to Harris. The telegram, from Acting Chief Inspector Thomas Murphy of New York said:

"Hold Roy Harris on his confession of the murder of Jeseph B. Elwell here in June, 1920, pending further inves-

To Interrogate Harris. New York, April 9.—Former Gov. this conference the Prime Minister went to Buckingham palace and had an audience with the king.

During the course of the day it was reported that provided the pumping and an accomplice were hired by a difficulty could be surmounted the government were present. After this conference the Prime Minister went to Buckingham palace and had an audience with the king.

During the course of the day it was reported that provided the pumping and an accomplice were hired by a difficulty could be surmounted the government. June. Mr. Whitman will be accompa- the wage question on a national basis nied by Police Captain Arthur Carey

of the homicide squad.

Whether Harris will be brought to New York and detained in connection with the Elwell case will depend largely, it was said, on the result of the interre gation, by Whitman and Carey.

NEGRO KILLED WHEN ENGINE LEAVES RAILS

Petersburg, Va. April 9 .- A bolt on it is embarrassing and humiliating to the rail caused the derailment of the keep silent under the publication of locomotive of northbound train No. 84, charges that he knows to be absolutely Atlantic Coast Line, known as the "Hauntrue, he said he prefers to pursue this course at the present time and asks the public to withhold its judgment until he transfer and members of the London and Aldershet district with headquarters at the Horse Guards for the present emergency. the true facts are brought out in open train crew escaped uninjured, but a DRIVING FOREIGN COAL negro woman, later identified as Mary Rland, innitress at the East Ward Bland, janitress at the East Mid-April Steeplechase. Full Course; negro school, walking alongside the \$125 Purse. Pinehurst, Wednesday.— trucky was killed when the engine toppled over on her.

Miners Agree To Hold Conference With Mine Owners Of Britain Monday

MINERS FINALLY YIELD AND AGREE TO MEETING

Unexpected Agreement Gives Liveliest Hopes In England That Grave Industrial Orisis Will Be Averted Through Negotiation; Arthur Hen. derson Expresses Confidence

Landan, April 9 .- (By the Associa transport workers, seems now to be in a fair way of settlement through nego

The trial was the first one arising and when it was supposed that all ef-from accusations that Williams caused forts to move the miners had proved ineffectual, it was suddenly announced that the miners had yielded and that a conference with the coal owners had been convened for Monday to discuss the questions involved, while notices were sent to the mining districts urg

The only explanation yet available as to what inducements were offered objection to assenting to steps assuring

May Yield Pumping Point.

Whether the rumors that the government is willing that the wage queston should be adjusted on a national basis may be held to explain the change in the situation is unknown. If, as Mr. Hodges suggests, the government and mine owners have really agreed to an unconditional conference, that would be sufficient to induce the miners to yield the pumping point. In any case, the unexpected agreement gives the liveliest hopes that the struggle which would have swept the country, will be averted. Arthur Handerson, the labor leader, who is in close touch with all the aggewho is in close touch with all the negotiations, although not personally concerned in today's meetings with Premier Lloyd George, was tonight full of conddence that there will be no general strike Tuesday.

The executive committee of the triple alliance, after a conference with the Premier, issued the fullowing statement tonight:

"It has been agreed that: First, the government rhall summon a conference of representatives of the Miners' Federation and the coal owners at the Board

the worse a few days ago and again removed to the hospital.

The plaintiff alleges:

"While the plaintiff was in the office of the defendant, in the Charlotte News building, her husband informed her he wanted her to sign a paper; that he informed her when she asked the na large of the defendant of Trade at 11 closes to the question in dispute her wanted her to sign a paper; that he informed her when she asked the na large of the defendant, in the Charlotte News building, her husband informed her he against John 8, Williams and three of his sons and Clyde Manning, negro urging the miners to abstain from any action interfering with measures necesmines or necessitating the use of force by the government."

Government Accept The statement was issued by Mr. Hodges and J. H. Thomas, secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, and Mr. Thomas, in an interview, said it was the result of negotiations be the railwaymen, transport workers an the government and had been accept by the miners.

The triple alliance will remain in permanent session during the negotia-tions, in order, if necessary, to give effect to their previous decisions. Concerning the probability of a set-tlement, the Press Association says: "There is definite hope that the nego-tiations will proceed smoothly and that

tiations will proceed smoothly and that not only will active intervention by the railwaymen and transport workers be averted, but that the miners' stoppag will be ended. The early return the pump men is possible.

Throughout the day the representa-

tives of the triple alliance continued their efforts to bring about negotiations between the miners and the government, After the third interview between a deputation of railway men and transport workers with the Premier at Down-ing street lasting ninety minutes, J. H. Thomas and Harry Gosling, leader of the transport workers, reported that the deputation was going to discuss matters again with the miners, but would not see the Premier again until tomorrow.

Hold Conferences.
At this conference Sir Eris Gaddes,
Lord Birkenhend, Sir Robert S. Rorne,
Austen Chamberlain and other members of the government were present. After this conference the Prime Minister went

woman to murder Joseph B. Elwell last ernment was not adverse to negotiating as claimed by the miners. It is not absolutely certain, however, that the government will go that far with respect as claimed by the miners. It to wages.

The cabinet today sanctioned measure ares to ensure the safety of the mines to Wales nad Scotland to protect the volunteers and pumpers, together with additional troops to aid the civil au-thorities in the maintenance of public order and essential national service. The war office appounced that Lieu-

tenant General, The Earl of Cavan, has been appointed to the chief command of the Landon and Aldershot district

BUSINESS TO THE U. S. New York, April 20.—The British miners' strike is driving foreign coal

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