

## HARDING MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO KEEP UP COURAGE

Republicans Stand Good Chance  
To Lose In New Mexico  
Election Of Senator

## SECRETARY WEEKS TO VISIT CAMP TOMORROW

Head Of War Department Sched-  
uled To Visit Fayetteville  
Sunday; Adverse Report For  
Henry Lincoln Johnson By  
Senate Sub-Committee; Has  
Little Chance To Win

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Washington, Sept. 9.—"You've heard of the boy who whistled as he passed the grave yard at night in order to keep up his courage, of course," said a prominent Democrat to me today. "Well, that is what President Harding is doing as he informs the country of what monumental accomplishments have been achieved by the present Congress which is now off on a holiday. He is whistling right now, patting himself and the Republican Congress on the back, because of the coming election for a United States Senator in New Mexico. The election comes on September 20th and the Republicans are all the while, for which the President is patting up his lips, for the present outlook is that New Mexico is going to be a grave yard for Republican hopes."

It is not the need of another Republican Senator that is agitating President Harding and the other Republicans, large and small, but the President having interjected himself into the matter the New Mexico election takes on national importance. It will be a black eye for the administration if a Democrat is elected. And it looks to me as if that is now a certainty, and that there is a possibility that the Democrat in the race may have more votes than both the regular and the independent Republican candidates combined. The people are learning over again what an old humbug is the Republican party, and are preparing to teach it another lesson."

**Bring Back Disquieting News**  
Republicans who intended to take quite a holiday from the halls of Congress are drifting back, with the news that the folks "back home" are up to arms at the failure of Congress to function in performance of the pledges made by Republican spokesmen. They let members of Congress know that the Harding brand of "normalcy" is not to their liking and are calling for that prosperity that was promised, but which fails to materialize. And the country generally is taking note of unpleasant facts of hard times that continually bob up to discomfit the Republicans as the advance agents of good times.

The word from New York that preparations are being made for hundreds of thousands of homeless and jobless in that city this winter with the other word from Chicago of soup houses being needed for the poor. But Boston news gives the Republicans cold chills, even in these hot days of September. That work is so hard to get there, that there are so many able bodied men begging for jobs and going without food for days at a time, is being emphasized in that city by men being put up on the auction block on Boston common, stripped to the waist as in the slave markets of old, and bids invited for their food and lodgings, tells a tale of sordid poverty and hard times that no amount of Republican sophistry can belittle. As William Gibbs McAdoo puts it: "Do you prefer Republican normalcy or Democratic prosperity?"

The plans now are for Secretary of War Weeks to be in Fayetteville on Sunday for a visit to Camp Bragg. In order to look over the camp and take note of its value with the purpose of throwing it as an active military post. Though a official information has been given of the approaching visit of Secretary Weeks to Camp Bragg information comes from a reliable source that railroad tickets have been purchased and reservations made on the Pullman for the trip to Fayetteville and Camp Bragg on Saturday night. According to the statement, Secretary Weeks will be accompanied by General Harbord, assistant to General Pershing, the chief of staff, and by Colonel King. At Camp Bragg they will be shown the value of the Camp by General Bowley. So unless there is a quick change of plans Camp Bragg is soon to have its chance to show that it is too good a place to be put in the discard.

**More Trouble For Johnson**  
Troubles multiply for Henry Lincoln Johnson, the Georgia negro member of the Republican National Committee and the nominee of President Harding for the position of recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia. Johnson, still ill from an attack of paralysis, but reported as improving, now faces an unfavorable report from the District of Columbia Senate Committee. Some time after his name was sent to the Senate there was a roll of the committee made by Chairman Ball of the Committee, and this was favorable. But the report hung fire. There were rumors on top of rumors that the Republicans wanted "Link" to resign his National committee membership before he was confirmed. But "Link" was shy about doing this, for he wanted to be confirmed first. The "bird in the hand" looked too good to give it wings, and so he held on.

Now the news is that the nomination of Johnson was referred to a sub-committee following a delay in reporting his name to the Senate, this at the request of Senator Harris, of Georgia.

## Cotton Prices Go Upward As Market Turns Firmer

Intense Excitement of Past Few Days Appears To Be Subsiding; December Contract Recovers Approximately \$7.75 Per Bale

New York, Sept. 9.—Continued nervousness, with wide fluctuations, reigned today in the cotton market, although the intense excitement of the past few days had somewhat subsided.

**Market Firmer.**  
Southern selling held in check on opening advance born of renewed strength in Liverpool, but liquidation of long accounts held over yesterday's break caused sharp reactions in the forenoon. The selling, however, was much less active than on previous breaks and the market became decidedly firmer in the afternoon.

Near months of the advance on reports that the grade of new crop cotton in the Southwest was being lowered by showers and apprehension that a tropical disturbance reared near the coast of Trinidad might cause more

general rains over Sunday. Such a development, it was feared, might damage the grade of a great deal of open cotton in the belt and cause an appreciation in the value of old crop cotton in the local stock.

**Demand Developing.**  
There also were rumors that some demand for the cotton held here available for delivery on contract was developing because of its attractive grade and staple, and Southwestern spot firms were reported buyers of October and December in the late trading.

December, which had sold at 18.40 on yesterday's break, touched 19.95 on today's late advance, recovering approximately \$7.75 per bale from the low point of the reaction. The general market closed steadily at advances of 61 to 125 points.

## QUARTER MILLION DOLLARS PAID OUT

Wilson Market Sells Nearly  
1,500,000 Pounds In Three  
Days; Average \$21

Wilson, Sept. 9.—Over a quarter-million dollars has been released in Wilson county and all parts of the new bright leaf belt as a result of heavy sales on the Wilson market during the first three days of the 1921-'22 season.

Official figures furnished by H. B. Johnson, supervisor of sales of the Wilson market, show that sales Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday totaled 1,408,032 pounds—an average of nearly a half million pounds a day. The tobacco during the three days sold for \$296,911.80, an average of \$21.02 per hundred pounds. Mr. Johnson, who is secretary and treasurer of the Wilson Tobacco Board of Trade, gives the figures as covering the sales week ending September 8.

The price averages for the three days were: Tuesday, the opening day of the present season, \$20.16 per hundred pounds; Wednesday, \$22.49 per hundred pounds; Thursday, \$20.81 per hundred pounds. Sales Thursday were the heaviest reported so far this season, totaling 558,194 pounds, and selling for \$116,771.44.

**"Blocked" Sales**  
Sales on the Wilson market have been "blocked" so far, the triple sales force working all of yesterday without disposing of the offerings, which, if all had been sold off would have amounted to over three quarters of a million pounds. The market was also "blocked" today, with prospects for more than 500,000 pounds being disposed of. It will be necessary to sell tomorrow to clear the warehouse floors.

The Wilson market is holding up strong in percentage of good tobacco—for which there is a brisk demand. There has appeared a tendency for stronger prices for the better grades and indications point to a still higher average for bright lugs, cutters and wrappers. There appears little prospect, however, of stronger prices for the common grades, which are selling at figures much out of proportion in comparison with the better grades. The low grades are averaging around \$4 and \$5 per hundred, with near medium grades running from \$8 to \$12. The upgrade in prices begins with bright lugs, which are in strong demand.

**May Average 25 Cents**  
Local tobaccoists believe the Wilson market will average around 25 cents a pound this season, an increase of 20 to 25 per cent over last season's average. However, farmers will not get as much for this year's crop as they did last year, as production is estimated at under the 1920 total. In some sections in Wilson county the crop is poor, chiefly because of dry weather, but in others the weed is of fairly good quality and has splendid color. Colorful and well bodied tobacco are selling high.

**Sales on the Wilson market are showing little tendency of slowing up, where, as on other markets in this section receipts since the opening day have been light. Assurance of good prices for good tobacco is causing farmers who have tobacco of good quality to convert some their product into cash. Nevertheless, warehousemen and business men are warning the growers to market the crop slowly, as it is feared that the market may cut down the average. Their advice is that gradual marketing will maintain the demand, or probably strengthen it as a result of a fuller realization on the part of the manufacturers of the drastic cut in production this year.**

**Prices Average Same**  
Prices continue to average about the same for the different grades on different markets. Markets setting up high averages are selling a good percentage of the better grades, whereas those hanging around \$14 and \$15 a hundred are handling a large percentage of the lower grades, which are selling at prices far below the cost of production. The price average on the Wilson market will begin to soar as soon as first cuttings or primings have been largely disposed of and the "middle of the stalk" or bright lugs, cutters and wrappers begin to predominate in the offerings. It would not be surprising that if in the next few weeks the daily sales will go above the \$30 mark. Other markets will likewise hit an upward trend when the good tobacco begins coming in in considerable quantity. However, in some sections the percentage of the better grades appears to be light and markets in those sections will do well to set up a seasonal average of \$20 unless a better demand for all grades sets in.

**Advance Lead Prices.**  
New York, Sept. 9.—The American Smelting and Refining Company today advanced the price of lead from 4.50 cents a pound to 4.60.

## ADOPT RESOLUTION ON IRISH QUESTION

Methodist Conference Hopes  
For Success Of Present  
Peace Negotiations

London, Sept. 9.—(By the Associated Press).—The world's conference of Methodists, at the outset of this morning's session, adopted a resolution declaring the conference hoped a complete success would crown the negotiations between the British government and the Irish Republicans for a solution of the Irish question. The resolution said:

"This conference, representing almost forty million adherents is watching with prayerful and deeply solicitous interest the present attempt at a satisfactory and permanent adjustment of Irish affairs and fervently hopes that complete success may crown the negotiations."

The delegates unanimously ordered that copies of the resolution be sent to Prime Minister Lloyd George and Eamon De Valera, the Irish Republican leader.

The question of a Methodist union was the chief topic of today's program. S. D. Chown, of Canada, who presided spoke on Christian unity and six speakers discussed "The Aspects of a Methodist Reunion." These were Henry Smith, president of the United Methodist church; Bishop E. D. Mouson, Methodist church, South; Dr. Robert Perkins, James B. Joy, Henry J. Taylor of the Primitive church, and Bishop G. C. Clement of the African Methodist Zion Church.

All the speakers emphasized the need of Methodist unity. Bishop Mouson said that all branches of the church were solidly united on all vital matters and divided only on the question of administration. Regarding the question of union of the Methodist church and the Methodist church South, in the United States, he declared amid applause that those two great Episcopal Methodisms in America must be one, or must answer before the judgment bar of God.

Sir Robert Perkins said he believed a union of all the Methodist churches was on the eve of accomplishment. Mr. Joy made a plea for a reunion of American churches, which he said, was desirable, practicable and inevitable.

## INJURED WOMAN IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 9.—Mrs. Henry Hendrix, wife of a prominent planter, of Montmorency in Aiken county, is in a critical condition as a result of an attack by two negroes, who later last night were lynched by a mob near Aiken. A coroner's jury today returned a verdict that the negroes came to death at the hands of unknown parties.

Mrs. Hendrix was injured about the head with a hoe and cut in the back with an axe. Robbery apparently was the motive. The Hendrix home was ransacked after Mrs. Hendrix was attacked. Both negroes turned on the Hendrix farm. They were tied to a stake and their bodies riddled with bullets.

## JAPANESE DELEGATES COMING IN THREE SHIPS

Tokyo, Sept. 9.—(By the Associated Press).—The Japanese delegation to the forthcoming Washington conference on limitation of armaments, numbering nearly 200, now plans to sail in three groups: The first, on the Steamship Korea Maru, October 1; the second, on the Shinyo Maru, October 13, and the third and most important, on the Kashima Maru, October 14. The naval group of the delegation headed by Vice Admiral Kanji Kato, will sail on the Korea Maru. This group definitely includes Captain K. Yamamashi, Captain N. Sutsugawa, Y. Ueda, Commander T. Hori, three lieutenant commanders and two lieutenants.

The two chief delegates to the conference are understood to be minister of marine, Kato and Ambassador Shigehara.

## WARNING TO SHIPPING IN CARIBBEAN SEA

Washington, Sept. 9.—The weather bureau tonight issued the following storm warning:  
"Advisory 10 p. m.: Tropical storm central Friday night in longitude 68, latitude 14, approximately and moving west northwest, increasing in intensity. Dangerous for vessels in Central Caribbean Sea next 48 hours."

## COMPTROLLER ISSUES NATIONAL BANK CALL

Washington, Sept. 9.—The Comptroller of the Currency today issued a call for the condition of all national banks at the close of business Tuesday, September 6.

## SIMPLE FUNERAL FOR JUDGE ALLEN HELD FROM HOME

Governor Morrison Heads Distinguished List Of Attendants At Services

## GOLDSBORO CLOSING UP TO HONOR HIS MEMORY

Pastor Of Deceased Jurist Pays Tribute To Services Rendered His Adopted City; Hundreds Come From All Sections Of State To Pay Tribute To His Memory

(Special to the News and Observer)  
Goldsboro, Sept. 9.—With the simplicity that he had often expressed a desire should be observed at his funeral, the last rites for Judge William Reynolds Allen, for ten years a justice of the North Carolina Supreme court, were conducted from the residence of the deceased jurist here this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. The interment was in the family plot beside his father and mother in Willowdale cemetery.

From all sections of the State hundreds of friends including Governor Cameron Morrison came to pay tribute to the memory of the distinguished lawyer. Every business house and public building was closed from 5 o'clock and all manufacturing enterprises suspended operations for the remainder of the day at the hour for the funeral.

**Served His Community.**  
There was a vast throng of people present at the services at the home and at the grave.

The simple services were conducted by Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, of which Judge Allen was a member for many years, assisted by Rev. G. T. Watkins, pastor of the Goldsboro Baptist church.

In addition to his distinguished service to the State, Mr. Adams pointed out the fine service the jurist had rendered his own city and declared that he was looked up to and loved by every member of the entire community. He referred to Judge Allen's wish that simplicity should mark his funeral. The minister in accord with this wish spoke very briefly.

**Colleagues Attend Service.**  
Chief Justice Walter Clark and Justices Platt D. Walker, W. A. Hoke and W. P. Stacy, of the State Supreme Court attended the funeral service of their late colleague.

The active pallbearers were the following younger members of the Goldsboro bar: Col. Geo. E. Freeman, Hugh Dorth, Edw. M. Land, Samuel F. Teague, J. Faison Thomson, W. Frank Taylor, Kenneth C. Royall and W. Bayard Felverton.

The honorary pallbearers were the members of the Goldsboro bar in a body as follows: Congressman George E. Hoot, John R. Hood, E. A. Humphrey M. T. Dickinson, C. G. Best, W. W. Peirce, H. Bland, E. A. Simpkins, H. B. Parker, C. H. Edwards, G. M. Lovelace, Col. A. C. Davis, Col. John D. Langston, Judge W. S. O'Brien, Robinson and W. A. Deese, and the following citizens of Goldsboro: Capt. J. B. Edgerton, C. Dewey, Capt. Nathan O'Berry, Joe Rosenthal, George C. Konegny, George A. Norwood, W. T. Yelverton, Col. J. E. Robinson, F. K. Burden, George C. Royall, L. M. Michaux, M. J. Best, Lionel Well, Robert H. Edwards, E. A. Stevens, Thos. H. Holmes, Dr. W. H. Cobb, W. T. Harrison, Dr. C. F. Stro-sander, R. G. Thompson, A. H. Edgerton, Walter D. Creech, Colon H. Moore, John R. Crawford.

There were scores of floral designs sent by loving friends, the grave being covered with the profusion of tributes.

**Many Distinguished Visitors.**  
In addition to practically the entire membership of the bars of Duplin, Lenoir, Johnston, Sampson and Wilson counties, there were many distinguished visitors from other sections of the State among them being the following: Former Governor T. W. Bickett, Raleigh; President Chase, University of North Carolina; Federal Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson; Judge Frank Daniels, of this city; Judge W. A. Devin, Oxford; Judge John H. Kerr, Warrenton; Congressman M. M. Brinson, New Bern; Corporation Commissioner A. J. Maxwell; Tax Commissioner A. D. Watts; Attorney General James S. Manning; Insurance Commissioner Stacey Wade; Solicitor Herbert E. Norris, Judge J. Crawford Briggs, Josiah William Bailey, of Raleigh.

Others attending the funeral included Frank Hampton, private secretary to Senator Simmons; Kate Clerk W. G. Womble, of the State Corporation Commission, and Supt. A. S. Barnes, of the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh.

## MEMBERS OF WILMINGTON BAR DEEPLY REGRET DEATH

Wilmington, Sept. 9.—Deep regret was expressed by members of the Wilmington and New Hanover county bar last evening when the news of the death of Supreme Court Judge W. R. Allen

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## NO WILMINGTON MAN IS ON THE SLACKER LIST

Wilmington, Sept. 9.—There is not one man from Wilmington or New Hanover County listed in the list of slackers, draft dodgers and deserters, as contained in the Congressional Record, although there are a number of North Carolinians named in the list. Persons who have seen the list expressed much pride in the absence from the list of a single representative of Wilmington.

The list in the Congressional Record is the very latest issued by the war department, having just been revised, and the names of those who appeared on previous lists in error have been omitted.

## REPUBLICANS PLAN REDUCTION OF TAX BURDEN THIS YEAR

Minimum Total Of \$3,200,000,000 Aim Of Finance Committee Members

## SIMMONS OPPOSED TO PROFITS TAX REPEAL

North Carolina Senator Declares Proposed Reduction Of Income Surtax Rates Is "Indefensible"; Hitchcock Issues Statement Attacking Repeal Proposals

Washington, Sept. 9.—A minimum total tax of \$3,200,000,000 for this fiscal year is the aim of the Republican members of the Senate finance committee in revising the House tax bill, Chairman Penrose said today after a conference of majority committee members. This is approximately \$100,000,000 less than treasury experts have figured the House measure would yield, but is the total which Secretary Mellon has told the committee will be necessary for the conduct of the government, provided the economies in departmental expenditures agreed upon at the White House conference last month are affected.

**No Specific Revision**  
Neither the whole committee, which met this morning, nor the majority members, who were in session this afternoon, reached any agreement on specific revisions proposed yesterday by Secretary Mellon. There was prolonged discussion of some of them at both sessions, with the Democratic members launching their fight against retroactive repeal of the excess profits tax, reduction of the income surtaxes to 25 per cent and restoration of the transportation taxes at half the present rates.

After the meeting of the majority members, Senator Penrose said that while the drift of sentiment among the Republicans seemed to be in favor of repeal of the profits tax as of last January 1, the situation was such that the drift might change in the direction of repeal as of next January 1, as provided for in the House measure.

**Simmons Against Repeal**  
Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, speaking for the six Democratic members of the committee, declared against retroactive repeal of this tax and characterized as "indefensible" the proposal of Secretary Mellon to reduce the income surtax rates from 63 per cent to 25 per cent, effective January 1, 1922. He declared that the 33 per cent maximum rate fixed in the House bill was too low.

During the day Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, acting Democratic leader, issued a formal statement attacking the proposals to repeal the profits tax and cut the surtax rates, declaring such action "very objectionable." He added that such incomes as \$50,000 or more were "contrary to the public interests" and could be "limited and restricted by taxation."

**Begin Revision Today.**  
Actual revision of the House bill will be undertaken tomorrow by the whole committee, Chairman Penrose said, adding that it was the plan to take it up section by section. Declaring that there had been a "pleasant and harmonious interchange of views" at the session of the majority members, Senator Penrose asserted the indications were that these members would vote "fairly well together when we come to final decisions." While no action was taken to bind those present, he added, substantial progress was made in "clearing the atmosphere."

Official treasury figures prepared for the committee show that with the six changes recommended yesterday by Secretary Mellon, the House bill would yield \$3,298,455,000 this fiscal year, or \$16,000,000 less than the House measure in its present form, and \$2,785,790,000 for the calendar year 1922, or \$95,500,000 less than the House bill.

**Losses for Year.**  
Losses from the House bill for the fiscal year would be \$250,000,000. All through repeal of the profits tax, and gains would be \$234,000,000 as follows: Corporation tax, \$160,500,000; transportation, \$65,500,000; insurance, \$5,000,000 and perfumery, cosmetics and proprietary medicines, \$3,500,000. In the calendar year 1922, the losses from the House bill would be \$510,000,000—\$450,000,000 profits tax and \$60,000,000 capital stock tax—and the gains would be \$414,500,000, as follows: Increased corporation tax, \$267,000,000; transportation, \$131,000,000; insurance, \$10,000,000 and perfumery, cosmetics and proprietary medicines, \$6,500,000.

## FIVE PERSONS MISSING AS RESULT OF FLOOD

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 10.—Five persons are missing and property damages estimated at thousands of dollars have been caused in the downtown business and residential district by an overflow of the San Antonio river and the Alazan Creek here early this morning which is described as being the most serious flood here since 1913.

The river in the downtown district broke over the embankments protecting St. Mary's Street shortly before 12:30 o'clock this morning and sweeping down St. Mary's street into Houston and thence north through Navarro Street, inundated the streets in the heart of the city over an area of about six blocks and four blocks wide.

The water rose suddenly following rains of two days with a precipitation exceeding seven inches, and two children. A neighbor reports seeing their house washed away. Charles Grant and wife. Grant was seen to hand his baby to a neighbor and enter his house in search of his wife. Neither has been seen since.

## ANNOUNCES NAMES OF MEN TO SIT AT CONFERENCE TABLE

LOW TEMPERATURES AND  
SNOW STORM IN MONTANA

Helena, Mont., Sept. 9.—With rain or snow in many parts of the state and unusually low temperatures, Montana today is having the first autumnal storm of the year. Colder tonight with the mercury nearly freezing is the weather bureau's forecast for the state. The Rockies near Helena at the foothills were white. In the forenoon snow fell in the valley here. The lowest temperature was 34 degrees at Helena.

Secretary Hughes, Elihu Root And Senators Lodge And Underwood To Represent The United States

## EACH NATION TO HAVE ITS "BIG FOUR" DURING DISARMAMENT MEETING

"Big Fours" Of Five Great Powers To Constitute "Supreme Body" Of The Disarmament Conference; Chinese And Other Delegations To Sit With General Conferences When Far Eastern Questions Come Up, White House Announcement Says; Armament Limitation Discussion To Be Carried On Only By General Conference Of Twenty Members; Expected Underwood And Root Will Serve

Washington, Sept. 9.—President Harding today announced the full American delegation to the disarmament conference. It consists of four members:

Charles Evans Hughes, secretary of State, former Justice of the Supreme Court, one-time candidate for the presidency and twice Governor of New York; lawyer by profession. Elihu Root, once Secretary of War, later Secretary of State, former Senator from New York, lawyer, jurist, and statesman of international reputation. The late President Roosevelt, his close friend and colleague, once paid tribute to his attainment by describing him as "the ablest man in public life in America."

Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator from Massachusetts, Republican floor leader, chairman of the foreign relations committee, long time student of international affairs, and author of many works of an historical nature.

**Underwood Gets Place.**  
Oscar W. Underwood, Democrat, senior Senator from Alabama, leader of his party in the Senate as he was in the House of Representatives; regarded by colleagues of both parties in the Senate chamber as "safe and sane" lawyer by profession and in public and political life since 1922. He was for the treaty of Versailles and the League of Nations covenant, with or without reservations.

These four will represent America at the table at which will be gathered four from each nation represented.

**Expected To Serve**  
Confidence that both Mr. Root and Senator Underwood would serve was expressed at the White House. Senator Underwood's position as minority leader in the Senate, where he might be called upon to support any treaty or other agreement reached, was not expected to preclude his acceptance. In event, however, that he should find it impossible to serve, it was intimated unofficially that John W. Davis, former Ambassador to Great Britain, might be the Democratic member of the American delegation. Mr. Underwood at present is in the mountains of Tennessee.

The conference proper or what might be termed its "supreme body" will consist of twenty members. It was announced, each of the five major powers being represented by a "Big Four." An understanding to this effect has been reached with the other powers according to the White House announcement.

**"Big Four" Delegations**  
Only the "Big Four" delegates from each of the five allied and associated powers will sit in the general conference on armament limitations. The delegation from China, which was invited especially because of Far Eastern problems, will sit with the twenty delegates representing the principal powers. It was said, only when Far Eastern problems are under discussion. Representatives of Belgium, Holland, and other nations, it was explained, will occupy a similar status and come into the powers' conference only when their Far Eastern interests are affected. Armament questions, it was emphasized, would be left solely to disposition of the supreme body of twenty.

## NEW AGREEMENT WITH BRITISH GOVERNMENT

Washington, Sept. 9.—The International Mercantile Marine, through its president, P. A. S. Franklin, today submitted to the Shipping Board a new agreement entered into with the British government as a substitute for the agreement which bound the corporation "to pursue no policy injurious to the interests of the British mercantile marine or of British trade."

## NEGRO MOB THREATENS MEMBER OF THEIR RACE

Charleston, Sept. 9.—Augustus Weston, a young negro charged with criminally assaulting a negro girl of eight, was spirited to the county jail here early today from McClellanville, where it is said a mob of negro men were gathering for the avowed purpose of lynching the prisoner.

**Retail Prices Increase**  
Washington, Sept. 9.—Increase in the retail prices of food in August as compared with July shown in statistics for fifteen additional cities, made public today by the department of labor included: Norfolk, five per cent; Charleston, S. C., four per cent.