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So-Called Competitive System Imposes a Burden on the Public in Increased Rates.

Washington, Feb. 2 .- Taking ino consideration every expenditure, by shippers, travellers, or by ongressional appropriation, the alroad system of the United states only cost the American pubic an average of \$470,637,404 per nonth for all the war-time period when the government ran it, Wilam G. McAdoo, first director genral of the administration, testified today before a senate investigation ommittee. He said it was costing under private control now an average of \$525,412,135 per month. "In other words, the cost of pri-

ate operation, since federal conrol, has been 32 per cent higher han under the railroad adminisration," Mr. McAdoo said in con-

"Speaking on the general results and effects of restored private conrol, and the return to the old soalled competitive system of raiload operation with its great wastes and inefficiencies, with the remendous burden imposed on the ublic of increased freight and assenger rates, the evil conseuences of which are reflected in he prostration of agriculture, laor and industry, of the colossal aims made by the railroad cor- T. J. WRENN DIED orations against the government r alleged under-maintenance, infficiency of labor, etc., I am conneed that it would have cost the American people less money to have maintained control for a test eriod than has resulted from eir return to private control.

"I am also convinced that the resent level of freight and passener rates would have been unnecssary because there is no question n my mind that a well-directed and unified operation of the railoads would enormously reduce the est of operation, and greatly inrease efficiency. "While the time "has gone by,"

railroads by the government, in he first year of government operions the total saving made by he ailroad administration in "uni led operation" was \$118,000,000. s against expenses under private

executives, today, dealing chiefly with two charges, the first concernng under-maintenance, while the cond was a warm defense o' had given the government. As to the charges of neglected repairs, said that the total cost of fitting freight cars for service after he government concluded was not more than \$9,508,000, and turning reported conditions today, he aid it would cost railroads \$33,-65,000, to repair the cars that are oo damaged for service now.

As to wage increases under ministration, Mr. McAdoo asserted they amounted to \$866,802,000 er year, while increases granted and known to most of the older citio the employes in 1920, under operation, amounted to \$1,091,000,-

"The fact is, railroad employees worked for less pay during the war than any other class of industrial workers, doing similar work," he declared. "The realization they were working for their overnment in the stress and stain war, and that they would be fairtreated inspired them and suprd them to unusual effort and faithful service."

Taking over the roads, the administration found "frequent and same class. ostly labor turnover, discontent, and demoralization," with payrates ar lower than either the cost of living or the scales in private industry justified, he added. He reoards, with management repreentatives, and the granting of in-

reases. tive that wage increases in 1918 of the meeting. were too high," he said. "x x x The charge that the wages of raiload labor were unnecessarily raised and that wages were thereby levated throughout the country is

false. The exact contrary is truc. "The schedules of wages promulrated by the railroad administration during 1918 were generally below those in other basic industries and well below the rates fixed by navy yards, the National War

Labor Board, and by the shipbuilding adjustment boards. x x x Conditions in the war industries necessarily caused the advances in the rates of pay of railway workers. The raiload adminstation was itself a conservative nstead of an initiating influence n the general advances in wage ments. Its awards did not go

far er ough in meeting commutive conditions in increasing rates and road repair shops. The piece work system, he said, had "No advantage in efficiency over day work," s All increases approved by him were recommended by the manage-workmen which was not perform-



Miss Isabel Rockefeller, daugh ter of Percy A. Rockfeller and grandn'ece of John D., snapped on board the Coronia as she left for a tour of the Mediterranean.

AT SPENCER TODAY

Spencer, Feb. 2 .- T. J. Wrenn, aged about 65 years, a native of Guilford county, died at the home of Capt. and Mrs. J. L. Hughes on Iredell avenue in Spencer shortly before 8 o'clock this morning following an illness of six weeks or more. He had been seriously sick for the past few days and relatives realized that the end was inevitable. Surviving is a widow, one brother, David Wrenn, of Greensboro, and a niece, Mrs. T. J. Smothers, of Reidsville, also one nephew "While the time "has gone by," J. M. Weatherly of the same place. said, to urge retention of the Mr. and Mrs. Wrenn came to Spencer to make their home with Capt. and Mrs. Hughes some three years ago and had won man) riends here. He was a member

the Methodist church and a splendid man. The funeral takes place Mr. McAdoo returned to the at-lack on his critics among railroad ison of Central Methodist church and the body will be laid to rest in Chestnut Hill cemetery. The shoe hospital, owned and op-

erated by J. M. Brannock has made wn labor and wage policies. Rail- big improvements by moving into roads went back to private owner-ship, he said, with "more locomo-avenue near the end of the street ives and more cars" than they car line. Mr. Brannock will enlarge when the present agreement exthe business adding Roy Glover, an

J. H. Gobbel announces the reopening of his grocery store on Third street after having remodeled and repainted the interior of the building. George Swicegood is improving

slowly after a severe illness caused by cold settling in his head. Mrs. George A. Cauble, one the oldest residents of

zens in this sction, is severly ill at her home here. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Smithey of Wilvkesboro on Wednesday by the leath of a little niece, Margarite

Phillips, of that place. Capt. Hugh Steele, a well known Spencer conductor, is in Pinehurst with a pack of fox hounds attending the American Fox Dogs' Show. Dispatches from Pinehurst state that Capt. Steele's dogs won first place in the show against some-

thing like 100 contestants of the

The Jennie McDonald Missionary society of Central Methodist church held a most enthusiastic meeting with Mrs. J. R. Agnew on Rowan avenue Thursday evening. It was decided that during the bad weath- government involving the announcer the society will hold its meetings with various members and "There was not the slightest G. L. Burke, February 9. Mrs. Stokes Devereaux will have charge

WANT MEMORIAL PARK ON A THEATER SITE

(By The Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 2.—Proposals
that the site of the Knickerbocker theatre never again be used for commercial purposes but transformed into a park which would be erected as a memorial to the 98 persons who lost their lives in the collapse of the theatre is under consideration by the house District of Columbia committee. The committee, it is said, has received sev-

eral such proposals.
Congress could either purchas the site if the present owners deside to sell or acquire it through condemnation proceedings.

Happiness Does Not Depend on Money, Says Mrs. Marion Stephens Who Weds Russian.

(By The Associated Press)

Chicago, Feb. 2.-Mrs. Marion B. Stephens, heiress to the \$40,000,-000 estate of her father, the late Norman B. Ream, is speeding to New York today to prepare for her marriage Saturday to Antse Andrevitch, a young Russian who is employed in the Baldw.n Locomotive Works. Arriving at Chicago she hurriedly transacted some pressing business and reiterated her intention of living according to the means of her husband, to live in an humble cottage, and expressed her views on marriage.

"Happiness," she said, "is not a question of money. Money has nothing to do with my marriage one way or another. We shall live simply according to my husband's position, although we are not going to live in precisely the kind of workman's cottage described as typical. The man I am to marry is older than his years. The experiences he has gone through, particularly those in the armies of General Denikine and Baron Wrangel, have broadened and de-veloped him beyond his years. I have always been sympathetic with Russia and the Russians. It's people I think have been such-" stopped for a word-"such good

Mrs. Stephens' fiance is 23 years old and she is .5.

NEGRO GETS FURTHER MR. T. J. RABE DIES RESPITE FROM CHAIR

Raleigh, Feb. 2.-With preparations all ready and within 30 minutes of the time set for electrocution Wright Rouse, aged negro, was granted a respite of two weeks by Governor Morrison in order to complete an investigation he is making into the old negro's case.

Rouse was convicted in Green county last fall of the murder of William Whitley a Walstonburg merchant and farmer and sentenced to die in the electric chair in De-cember. He was granted a respite until today on recommendation of the trial judge. Whitley's widow and Thomas Haynes are now serv-ing life sentences after being con-victed on charges of being convicted on charges of being implicated in the killing.

GOVERNMENT PLANS TO MEET PROPOSED STRIKE

(By The Amoriated Press

situation which might arise in the event of a strike of coal miners pire next month have been worked expert shoe man to the working out by the department of justice, it was indicated by Attorney General watching conditions as they dement's policy.

TO PERMIT CABLES

(By The Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 2.—Issuance
by the state department of license Spincer, were called to North to the Western Union Telegraph company for the landing of its Barbadoes cable at Miami, Florida may be expected within a few days, it was indicated here today

by officials of the department. An agreement, it is said, has been reached by the Western Union and All American Cable Company to surrender exclusive land rights held by those companies or affiliated companies in Ecuador, Chile and Brazil and the matter of issuing a license for the landing of the Barbadoes cable at Miami is only a question of a few days. The agreement settles a dispute tween the cable companies and the ed policy of the state department to oppose the so-called monopolies in cables to South America.



Take a squint at the coal bin and don't put the winter wraps in the moth balls yet, because there is six more weeks of winter to come if any reliance is to be plac-

Mr. Groundhog snooped his way out of his winter quarters this today when the body of Will morning about eleven o'clock, Tharsher was found suspended blinked a bit and swept the hori-

THEATER DEATHS TO 98 RAISING FUND



EDWARD H. SHAUGHNESSY

Washington, Feb. 2.-Edward H. Shaugnessy, of Chicago, second assistant postmaster general died here early today at the Walter Reid hospital from injuries received in the Knickerbocker theatre disaster Saturday night.

Altho Mr. . Shangnessy's uries were known to be of a critial nature, his condition improved up until yesterday and his death was unexpected. His wife and ten year old daughter, Ruth, both of whom are now recovering from injuries received in the theatre disaster had not been informed of his death at an early hour to-

The death of the second assistant postmaster general brings the fatality list of the disaster as now recorded by police up to 98.

AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Mr. Thomas J. Rabe died at his home, 429 West Horah street, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, after an illness of some days of pneumonia. The funeral took place from the residence this afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. F. Kirk, pastor of the First Methodist church of which the deceased had been a member, and the burial was in Chestnut Hill cemetery. Surviving is the widow and eight children, in addition to other relatives, includi grandchildren. including a number

The pall bearers were George Fisher, James D. Heilig, Theo. B. Brown, P. N. Peacock, N. W. Col-lett, W. S. Blackmer. Mr. Rabe was in his 68th year,

having been born in Charleston, S. C., August 11, 1854. He spent lotte and later lived in Statesville for a time, coming to Salisbury from the latter place more than 20 years ago. He was secretary Washington, Feb. 2 .- Plans of and treasurer and manager of the the government to cope with a Salisbury Marble & Granite Company for many years but for several years had not been actively engaged in business. In the affairs of his town Mr. Rabe always showed a keen and loyal interest and had served as alderman, may-Daugherty today. He said he was or protem and city treasurer. He was a man of fine intellect, readveloped, as well as the proposed ing the best in literature and hisjunction of railroad workers with tory, this being his favorite pastminers in resisting wage decreases time. His call to cross the bar but stated that he was not yet has come but his genial and courready to make known the govern- teous manner to all and his beautiful devotion to his family will always be remembered. He was a man of wide acquaintance and had a large circle of friends in his community.

GIRL TAKES POISON TO AVOID JAIL TERM

Greensboro, Feb. 2. - Helen Mayes, 18 years old, who took poison rather than go to jail, is in a hospital here, with a chance for recovery. It is not known just how much bichloride of mercury she swallowed when the door of a cell in the city lockup clanged shut, but of the "better North Carolina." she made two attempts to swal-

low the poison. "Well, after tonight you mon't have to bother with me," she said just as the door shut, and pulled a bottle from the bosom of her dress turned her back and swallowed two tablets of poison. The officers hurried to unlock the door and took the girl to the city physician in the city hall. He was out but another doctor was summoned. He used a stomach pump.

The girl was determined. She resisted the efforts of the physician to save her life and when she got a chance she slipped another tab-let into her mouth. The doctor im-mediately stuck his fingers in her mouth and got it out.

The girl is pretty almost to thhe point of beauty and was smartly dressed. She had been warned to stay out of the city, but she had boasted that she would die before she would go to jail. When she was told to leave here before, she said she would but that she would be back. The police had standing orders to arrest her.

MISSISSIPPI NEGRO LYNCHED

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 2.—The lynching of a negro east of Crystal

Physicians-Shi p m a n Congress.

(BY MAX AHERNETHY)

Raleigh, Feb. 2 .- Dr. W. S. Rankin, state health officer, is writing physicians in North Carolina enlisting their aid in the interest of the memorial which is now being planned to the late of the United States.

State headquarters have been esablished at Raleigh and the cam- and battery. paign for contributions will be conlucted from this city with General Julian S. Carr, of Durham, as chairman. The Gorgas memorial, as planned, will be raised by popular subscription from every state in the union and North Carolina is asked to give \$100,000 of the six million dollars.

With this money a research laboratory is to be erected in Panama City, a site and \$500,000 having already been contributed by Panama, and a school of sanitation at the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

General Gorgas was surgeon general from 1914 to 1918 and his work in combatting yellow fever and kindred diseases during that time is well known, for it was because of his work that completion of the Panama Canal was made possible. General Gorgas died a vear ago.

The state is now being organized by General Carr from the Raleigh headquarters and chairmen will be named in every county to direct the campaign for funds. Dr. Rankin's letter today is to members of the medical fraternity but a similar appeal is to be made to every citizen of the state.

Governor Morrison has appointed the following as trustees of the State Training School for Negro M. B. Hart, Tarboro; W. N. Ev-

erett, Rockingham; L. R. Varser, Lumberton; Thad L. Tate, negro, Charlotte, and S. C. Atkins, negro, Winston-Salem. Under an act of the 1921 legis

negro boys was created and the governor's trustees will select the location for the building, an appropriation for this purpose having already been made. Commissioner of Labor and

Printing M. L. Shipman is being urged by friends of his to make the race for the Democratic nominaion for Congress in the tenth district, it was learned here today. Unless the commissioner has

change of heart, however, he will not get into the fight which seems to be on in earest in the mountain section. Mr. Shipman would not make any statement regarding the urge that he is feeing but friends here declare that he will not offer for the nomination.

The tenth district is warming up to the fight in earnest, the capital hears, and it is likely Congressman Weaver will have opposition other than from Candidate Styles, of Buncombe county.

Governor Morrison has called

opon the State Board of Health to aid him in the campaign for better cardens, more cows and pigs for North Carolina, and the health authorities will lend a helping hand whenever necessary.

The governor has already obtained support of the Department of Agriculture and the campaign will be launched at an early date. The Board of Health is to point out the importance a well balanced ration and pure milk will have in the life

The State Corporation Commission is expected to have some statement today regarding the condition of the Central Bank and Trust Company, Raleigh banking institution, whose doors were closed several weeks ago by the state banking department.

R. G. Allen, principal stockholder and former president of the bank, is considered by the depositors as the best bet for getting their money back, dollar for dollar. Mr. Allen has employed counsel to represent him and the depositors have done likewise unless the bank examiner's report shows up well.

CANADIAN SERGEANT REGAINS HIS MEMORY

Ottawa, Feb. 2.—Quartermaster Sergeant William Bell, of the Canadian Forestry Corps, reported to-day at Dominion headquarters of the Great War Veterans' Association with a story of having had his memory beaten out of him in 1919

and knocked back two years later. Ball said he had been beaten and robbed in Bordeaux in April, 1919, and that he had lost all recollecand that he had lost all recollec-tion of his Canadian home. Later he joined the Spanish foreign leg-ion and claimed recently to have recovered his memory after an of-ficer had hit him on the head with a rifle butt in a jail in Refa, Mo-

BUEBEARD'S OLD RENDEZVOUS VERY POSTAGE BOOST TO PEACEFUL, NO ARREST IN TEN YEARS

Ocracoke, N. C., Feb. 2 .- Altho the same name, located about 3 this little town about a century and miles off the mainland of North WILLIAM C. GEOGAS this little town about a century and a half ago was the rendezvous of one of the world's most daring and famous gang of crooks—Edward lina, is a little strip of land about Teach (Bluebeard) and his band— 11 miles long and ranges in width it is today one community which from one-half to one and one-half Dr. Rankin is Writing the recent crime wave has not miles. The population of the island reached. There has not been an ar- numbers about 700, about 650 of rest here in more than ten years whom live at Ocracoke. Those who Being Urged for Con- and the crimes of robbery, burg- do not live in the little town are lary, theft and murder are abso- members of the families of coast lutely unknown to the population, guardsmen, who patrol the coast. insofar as they refer to Oocracoke. As there are no railroads auto John Oneal, after holding office mobiles, street cars or theaters

insofar as they refer to Ocracoke, where motion nictures are shown for eight years, resigned a year or many of the inhabitants at Orra more ago, not having had a crim- cake have never seen any of these inal case during his administration, things. With the exception of the A successor has never been elected, men employed by the United Mr. Oneal, who was born at Ocra- States government as coast guards William C. Gorgas, surgeon general coke, says the worst crime he can men and the few merchants in the recell to have occurred at Ocracoke little town, all Ocracoke make their in 50 years were one of assault living bunting and fishing.

here that have locks on the doors are divided, however, as to and the keys to those that are thus acctional branch to which they be the houses at Ocracoke were wholly or partially constructed with lum- South, while the others attend the ber of shins which were wrecked on Northern church. the treacherous shoals off the here own their home.

southern end of a little island by ony" of Sir Walter Raleigh.

Former Director of Railroads McAdoo Gives Further Testimony Before Senate Committee.

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, Feb. 2.—The cost of operation of the nation's railroads could be enormously reduced and the efficiency iscreased by a well directed and uniform system of operation under revivate control William G. McAdoo, war time di-rector general of railroads, declared today in continuation of his testimony before the inter-state commerce committee into the pres-ent railroad situation. He declared there was no competition at present between the railroads either in freight rates of passenger fares which are established by governmental authority. He said the only possible competition at pres-

ent was in service.

Mr. McAdoo added that while the railroads "gorge themselves with business which they have not the facilities to handle the public would profit were it possible to have the carriers make the most economic and common use of terminal facilities and have "parallel tracks of competing carriers considered double tracks for the benefit of

"The public has paid a high price for alleged competition," Mr. Mc-Adoo declared, asserting that alleged advantages to the public are largely mythihcal."

JURY HAS ARBUCKLE'S FATE IN ITS HANDS

of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle to-still in the mine and experienced day for the second time is in the working hard to reach them exhands of the jury. The trial closed press the opinion that all are dead. unexpectedly at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the defense de-Arbuckle is accused of causing the death of Virginia Rappe. Twice before 11 o'clock

it returned to the court room, once Trained rescue crews from al of certain testimony read and the first time to ask further instructions from the court. The jury was ordered to return to work at 10 o'clock this morning.

HARDING HAS OBJECTIONS

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 2.-President

Harding objects to some of the provisions of the allied debt refunding bill as passed by the senate, according to information understood to have been given to the house ways and means committee and after the committee had conferred with Secretary Mellon, Chairman Fordney said action would be de ferred until he cuold consult with the executive.

COAL TAX LAW UPHELD.

passed by the last legislature. is understood an appeal will

(By The Associated Pr High Point, Feb. 2.—Bascom Hoskins, a well known furniture salesman, died in a local hospital age in efficiency over day work," said, need not all and swept the normal recommended by the management need over the model of the board, he said, need to be in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been glanced down and saw that he was not performent need over the model of the board, he said, need no need to be in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been glanced down and saw that he was not performent need by the management need in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been glanced down and saw that he was not perform being followed by a plump shadow. The said, except that which involved the abolition of piece-work in rail-states a white school teacher at performent need in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been down and saw that he was solded in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been down and saw that he was solded in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been down and saw that he was solded in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been down and saw that he was solded in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been down and saw that he was solded in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been down and saw that he was solded in a local hospital tree read that the negro had been didentified as one who attempted to workmen which was not performent need. The need of the head of the need in "large payments to glanced down and saw that he was attented to work men which was not performent need." Also it involved by a plump shadow. The said, except that the negro had been identified as one who attempted to work men which was not performent need. The need of the head of the need of the n

Every person on Ocracoke Island There are only one or two homes is a Methodist in religion. They equipped are never used. Most of long, about half being members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Ocracoke is one of the oldest set. North Carolina coast, Every family tlements in America. The people are believed by many historians to Ocracoke is at the extreme be descendants of the "Lost Col-

Dispute Over Government's Attitude Toward Vatican and Other Measures is Cause.

(By The Associated Press)

Rome, Feb. 2.-Premier Bonomi announced the resignation of the Italian cabinet to the chamber of deputies this afternoon. The cabinet council met this morning to discuss the situation created by the attitude of parlia-

ment, savs a statement of the sem official Stefani agency, and as a result the government decision to resign was reached.

Forecasts had indicated that the nomi ministry's foreign and in-mal policies would be attacked on parliament assembled today

A sharp dispute has arisen over the government's attitude toward the vatican. Some sections of parliament blame the government for the fact that Italy was left out of the Pacific pact framed at the Washington arms conference and because she has been excluded from the arrangements between France and Great Britain to protect the former from possible German

aggression. 7 KILLED: 22 BURIED IN A PENN., MINE

Gates, Pa., Feb. 2.-The bodies of nine miners, killed in an explosion at the Gates mine of the H. C. Frick Coke Company here today had been brought to the surface at noon from the entry of the mine one and a half miles from the foot of the shaft where the accident oc-San Francisco, Feb. 2.-The case curred. Twenty men, it is said, are

Gates, Pa., Feb. 2.—Seven mer clined to present argument after are known to have been killed and the state had the opening address. 22 others entombed in a room a mile and a half from the mouth of the Gates mine of the H. C. Frick last Coke Company near here as a venight when the jury was locked up sult of an explosion early today to have some stenographic records parts of the Connelsville field are working in relays trying to rescue the men.

FRANCE TO PARTICIPATE

Paris, Feb. 2.—France will be officially represented at the International financial conference Genoa early next month.

The assurance of the French attitude was given in communiques from the foreign office which d not say in so many words that rance will be represented, but let t be understood that France was already committed as a member of the supreme council.

COTTON MARKET Cotton Market Easier.

New York, Feb. 2.-The cotton market was easier during early trading today. Evidently the ral Harrisburgh, Pa., Feb. 2.—The lies of vesterday had eased techni-Dauphin county court today hand- cal positions and the opening was ed down a decision upholding the constitutionality of the anthracite coal tax law of 1921 which was planned to be one of the principal Continental and Southern selling revenue raisers of a series of laws There was a little trade buying and some further covering but not sufficient to hold the market and prices soon showed net losses of 23 to 34 points with May selling FURNITURE SALESMAN DEAD at 16.26 and July at 15.82

Opening Barely Steady. New York, Feb. 2.—Cotton futures opened barely steady.

March May 16.45 July 15.91 October 15.45 December 15.45
Concord Market.
Concord, Feb. 2.—Cotton sold for
16 cents on the local market.

Would Also Increase the Tax on Tobacco and Other Articles to Pay Veterans.

Washington. Feb. 2.—The soldier's bonus should be paid out of special taxes such as an increase in first and second class postage and tobacco levies, Secretary Mellon delared today before the house ways and means committee. Secretary Mellon reiterated the belief that it would be impracticable to depend upon the foreign debt for finan-cing the proposed "five way" adjusted compensation plan because

revenue from that source is prob-These estimates of revenue from special sources were made by the ecretary:

One cent increase in first-class ostage, \$70,000,000. Increase in second-class postage to wise out deficiencies in that branch of the postoffice department, \$30,000,000.

Increase in cigarette tax amounting to 50 cents on the 1,-000, \$25,000,000. Increase in tabacco tax; two cents a pound, \$5,000,000. Increase in documentary stamp

tax, \$40,000,000. A tax of two cents on each bank check. \$30,000,000. A license tax on 50 cents a horsepower on automobile, \$100,-000.000.

The total estimated return on these taxes is \$300,000,000. Mr. Mellon said the bonus would cost \$425,000,000 a year the first two years and told the committee it could extend the list of taxable sources to make up the deficiency and made it clear that he was not recommending any of the taxes suggested. The treasury secretary opposed a general seles tax on the ground of cost and difficulty of ad-ministration.

SOUTHEASTERN EXPRESS CO. EXTENDS TERRITORY

Atlanta, Feb. 2.—Express service over the Tennessee Central rail-road extending from Harriman, Tenn., to Hopkinsville, Kv., via Nashville was taken over Wednessay by the Southeastern Express Co., according to announcement made here by President J. R. Hockaday. This gives the Southeastern aday. This gives the Southeastern a line into Nashville, the only large which it has not previously served. The Tennessee Central has a milesage of about 300 miles and has just been taken over by its new owners who bought it after a receivership overing several years. This line connects with the Southern at Har-

riman, Tenn. 100-ROOM HOTEL FOR

HICKORY IN PROSPECT Hickory, Feb. 2 .- Hickory business men at a largely attended neeting at the chamber of commerce last night voted to accept the proposition of Frank B. Simpson, Raleigh architect, to erect a 100room fireproof and thoroughly mod-ern hotel building at a lost of ap-proximately \$250,000 and President George F. Ivey was authorized to appoint a committee to solicit stock. Mr. Simpson said he wo have the preliminary plans in the hands of the committee within ten days and the work of raising the amount of local money necessary to construct the building will pro-

MRS. FONTZ DEAD

China Grove, Feb. 2 .- Mrs. Tircab Mary Fontz, nee Poole, wife of Mr. John D. Fontz died of plurisy at her home near Concordia E. L. Church January 31, 1922, at the age of 78 years 10 months and 3

On January 15, 1868 she was married to Mr. John D. Fontz. To this union were born two daughters and one son viz: Mrs. C. Karriker, Mrs. D. E. Upright and Samuel N. Fontz, who with his wife and family lived with his parents. Three sistens survive:
Miss Margaret J. Poole, Mrs.
Louise Z. McLaughlin and Mrs. A.
D. Smoot. In early childhood Mrs.
Fontz united with Back Creek Presbyterian church. After 1 marriage she with her moved her membership to Con-codia E. L. church where she remained a consistent and loyal mem-ber until death.

She leaves to mourn their loss a devoted husband the children named above and a very large circle of friends and relatives. On the day following her death after suitable services conducted by Ray, C. A. Brown at Concordia E. L. church her body was tenderly laid to rest in the cemetery near by to await the resurrection of the just. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Bank President Sentenced Brunswick, Ga., Feb. 2.—L. (ter, president of the Jessup by