

THE WEATHER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Forecast for North and South Carolina: Partly cloudy Friday with showers and possibly local thundershowers.

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By BILLY BORNE



FRANCE - BRITISH SETTLEMENT TO BE CONSOLIDATED

Balfour Note Will Not Mean Reparations to Hang Fire.

CLEAR THE AIR AS TO ATTITUDE Likened to Balloon Sent Up to Place Responsibility On U. S.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—Some statement of the American government dealing with the note of the Earl of Balfour, acting British foreign secretary, concerning allied war debts, is anxiously awaited in reparations commission circles, where it was said tonight that the British communication on inter-allied debt would not have the effect of preventing a Franco-British settlement. It was believed, however, that the note made a moratorium for Germany impossible.

Information said to have reached reparations headquarters from an authoritative source that Lord Balfour's note was a "trial balloon" sent up for the purpose of gauging responsibility solution of the debts at the door of the United States.

The balloon bursts through refusal of the United States to depart from its already established position. The reparations experts have been informed that Great Britain will proceed to a decision at the coming meeting of the French reparations commission regardless of the American policy.

Little hope entertained among the reparations experts that the United States will change its attitude toward its debtors, but the point is emphasized that Lord Balfour's note clears the atmosphere of all doubt as to who holds the key to the whole problem. It is felt that the United States will not make any answer, even if indefinite in character.

It is the most delicate topic of diplomacy.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—The British government's note to Great Britain's allies in the great war reminding them that they owe Great Britain money and that she has a right to ask for payment, has thrown wide open the most delicate topic in international politics. The discussion of the question of debts owed Great Britain has been avoided by all concerned, apparently with a view on the part of the creditor nation that the most conveniently be indefinitely postponed.

The most cheerful view of the effect of the Earl of Balfour's note is that it will afford a grand opening to sound out what are the policies and intentions of the government's concerned. It is considered that next to reputation or an equivalent, the most important thing is that the French position is clear. The French position is clear. The French position is clear.

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One-Day Trips For Motorists Now More Popular Than Ever

Give Opportunity to Visit Principle Points of Interest in Area.

BETTER ROADS ARE HELP TO TOURISTS Citizen's Travel Bureau Proving Desired Information On Trips.

Delightful one-day trips, giving the motorist an opportunity to visit the principal points of interest in Western North Carolina, are possible on account of the improved highways. The one-day tours have long been a feature enjoyed by motorists stopping in Asheville and appear more popular this year than ever before.

The trip to Marion, Bridgewater, Mount Mitchell, Brevard, Chimney Rock, Mt. Pisgah, Waynesville, Canton, Lake Junaluska, the various religious assembly grounds, Hot Springs, Hot Grove, Mount Pisgah, Lake Summit or many of the other interesting places and return may be made easily in one day.

These highways leading through the mountains, through the scenic spots, through the magnificent and over improved highways furnish pleasure, with thousands annually return to Western North Carolina to procure.

As a travel guide to the places of interest, The Citizen's Travel Bureau of Asheville has prepared a condensed list of the principal highways for the convenience of the public. Information regarding the highways in Western North Carolina may be obtained from Citizen's Travel Bureau, Telephone 335, in charge of J. D. Pool.

Leading to Morristown, Tenn., 27 miles. Go out Broadway to Weaverville Road, and through Weaverville to Mars Hill, a distance of 20 miles. Marshall, 25 miles. Hot Springs, 55 miles. 37 miles further. Main highway all the way. Trip to Hot Springs and return may be made in one day.

Main Rock. This spot lies just over the State line, in Tennessee. The route lies as above, but the motorist must turn to left just outside Hot Springs. The distance is 65 miles.

Balsam. This spot is the highest railroad point east of the Rockies. The highway lies through West Asheville, Candler, Canton and Wayne. Total distance is 41 miles. In Balsam.

Pisgah Mountain and National Forest Reserve, 26 miles.—Through West Asheville 10 miles to Candler. Here turn to the left at the sign and the next stop is Camp Laurel, at the foot of the mountain.

Chimney Rock, 25 miles.—To Biltmore, across railroad tracks and turn into the highway. Asheville, through Hickory Nut Gap, past Bat Cave, and through Emerald, to Chimney Rock. From Chimney Rock the road leads to Rutherford, Shelby and on to Charlotte.

Blowing Rock, 65 miles.—Down Biltmore Avenue, turning to left just before reaching railroad in Biltmore. Past Owen to Black Mountain; then to Fort Marion, Morganton and so on into Hickory. Leave the main highway to the north 16 miles. Blowing Rock is directly up mountain from Lenoir.

Linville.—Follow above route, continue on into Linville. Blow through Rock six miles. Return trip, can be made through Newland, Cranberry, Spruce Pine, Little Switzerland, Lake, near Black Mountain, and an extremely wet weather.

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ENERGY COUNTS IN RACE FOR GOOD CITIZEN OFFERS

Splendid Opportunity to Get Extra Cash and Double Votes.

With the final offer of \$200 and \$50 as two added prizes to help them over a critical period of Asheville Citizen circulation drive, members have asked upon the opportunity for an energetic drive that spells a week of enormous results, terminating in the grand final rush next Saturday night.

Early reports reaching the campaign office leave no doubts that the drive has attracted the interest and double vote offer with delight. Quite a number have telephoned from outside sections and declared that the battle was on—that they would make this week's business their stepping stone to victory and a big prize.

Present Offer Ends Saturday Night.

The offer ends Saturday, August 5, leaving just three days of the week that has attracted the interest and enthusiasm of nearly every person in the vicinity reached by this newspaper. The drive members are "awakening" in eager quest for new subscribers and their efforts are about to bear fruit—provided they do not let this great opportunity slip by without protecting themselves with plenty of votes.

The towns and hamlets of the surrounding territory are on the out vive to help their favorites and not let some neighboring town snatch the victory away from them. Personal ambitions are resolving themselves to something greater—the distinction and honor of running a winning race.

In the display rooms of the dealers stand six beautiful new automobiles, fresh from the factory and ready to be turned over to their new owners as soon as the judges say the word. Never before has such a beautiful array of cars as an inducement to energy and ambition. Were they to be placed side by side they would constitute an admirable "automobile show" of their own.

Black Mountain—Black Mountain and Vance, .30; Montreat, .20.

French Broad—Oak Hill, .20; Alexander Station, .16; Alexander Chapel, .10.

Haw Creek—Haw Creek, .20; Beaverdam—Woodfin, .13; Grace, .23.

Hazel—Emma, .30; Johnson, .20; Biltmore—Biltmore, .25; Rose Hill, .09; Oakley, .20; Shiloh, .25.

Special Road Tax. Beaverdam—Woodfinville, .05; Hazel—Emma, .26; Biltmore—Biltmore, .09.

Special Road Tax. Turkey Creek, .10; Limestone—Skyland, .07; Reems Creek, .27.

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Special Road Tax. Black Mountain, .10.

Special Road Tax. Reems Creek—South Fork, .33.

Special Road Tax. General County, .36.

Special Road Tax. Retiring Bonds, .10.

Special Road Tax. Public Schools, .37.

Special Road Tax. Total Rate, .84.

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Union Men Accept Harding Scheme In Full; Rail Executives Say Way Open For Parley; Federal Fuel Distribution Plan Outlined

Nothing Done By Southern to Keep Its Shopmen Away

Division Counsel Says Road Hopes Men Will Return To Work Now

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 2.—The Southern Railway hopes its striking employees will return to work on the basis of the President's proposals, said Frank C. Tompkins, division counsel, in a statement issued here today. The policy of the management of the Southern Railway system since the institution of the strike has been to maintain the status quo pending the termination of it that will embarrass the company, its employees or the public, and with this end in view, no promises have been made, no new men employed, members are being returned to work and the management is in entire accord with the President of the United States in his proposal looking to the settlement of the strike and the resumption of normal business. The management was in entire accord with the President of the United States in his proposal looking to the settlement of the strike and the resumption of normal business. The management was in entire accord with the President of the United States in his proposal looking to the settlement of the strike and the resumption of normal business.

ORGANIZATION OF ADMINISTRATION IN THREE STAGES

Governor's Committee Responsible for Coal Bill Payments.

STATE COMMITTEES TO REPORT NEEDS

Corporation Commission Preparing Blanks for Filing Claims.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Government plans for distribution of coal during the existing emergency were announced tonight by Fuel Distributor Spencer after conference with Secretary Hoover and the central committee appointed by President Harding. The federal organization in Washington, he said, will cover the distribution of available supplies among the states, federal institutions and states, but will handle local supply.

Pending completion of the federal organization, Mr. Spencer said, three intermediate stages will come—first, the continuation of their normal business by the operators; then priority buyers under the interstate commerce commission order No. 23 will gradually encroach upon operators' business and, finally, the federal fuel distributor will absorb the entire output of the mines.

Provision has been made for the establishment of district committees to represent the federal distribution administration in the producing fields with special arrangements for supplying the Great Lakes section, detailed instructions were drawn up today for the states which included the fixing of the responsibility for the payment of all mines and the setting up of district committees set up in a state.

District committees set up in the coal fields are to consist of a naval officer, representing the Federal Coal Distributor, a representative of the Interstate Commerce Commission, a representative of the railroad operators and a representative of the coal operators.

District Headquarters Are Set Up. District headquarters have been established as follows: Norton, Virginia; Richmond, Virginia; Blue Ridge, West Virginia; the Potomac, Winding Gulf, New River, Tiber and Virginia districts; Huntington, West Virginia; Kanawha, Logan, Mingo, Boone and Boone districts; Knoxville, Tennessee; fields in southeastern Kentucky outside of Harlan and Boone counties; Kentucky, Harlan, Hazard and fields on the Louisville and Nashville and Illinois Central railroads; and Birmingham, Alabama, for all mines in Alabama.

Distribution of fuel for the railroads is to be gradual, concentrated in the hands of a railway coal committee composed of coal buyers from the different railway groups as follows:

E. P. Phillips, of the Pennsylvania Railroad representing the eastern group; Charles F. Clifford, of the Santa Fe Railroad for the western group; F. H. Fecht, of the Atlantic Coast Line for the southern group; and O. F. Fallon, of the terminal railroad for the terminal group.

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Chairman Predicts Strike of 45,000 Maintenance Men

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—A strike of 45,000 maintenance of way men on the New York Central "within a week" was predicted here today by W. M. Parker, chairman of the system organization, as the result of the refusal to accept President Harding's plan for settlement of the shop crafts strike.

Conditions among workmen at the Syracuse shops were reported "very grave" by Parker, who asserted he had dispatched several union officials there today "to quell the uneasiness and the desire to call an immediate walkout."

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UNION MEN PUT INTERPRETATION ON PEACE PLAN

Abiding by Board Decisions Always on Program, They Declare.

FEDERAL ACTION HELD WEDNESDAY

President Awaits Text of Reply Before Drafting Proposals.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—Full acceptance of the peace proposals submitted by President Harding was voted tonight by leaders of the striking railway shopmen who, however, gave their own interpretation of the terms of settlement in almost good faith and in aid of the general welfare, said the message of President Harding tonight. "If these proposals fail to bring about the results which you desire, the responsibility of failure will not rest upon representatives of the organized employees."

In the proposal to restore unlimited seniority rights to the strikers which was rejected by railway executives at a meeting yesterday in New York, the message declared:

"It would certainly be a wholesale injustice of unparalleled extent if we were to accept the proposals of men who have given four to 40 years service and whose value to the transportation is proportioned to the length of their service. It would be a matter of inequity to place in a position of inferiority to a limited number of men who have been employed as substitutes for these experienced road workers."

Replying to the President's suggestion that railroads and workmen agree to abide by decisions of the Railroad Labor Board, the reply stated that the strikers had always taken the position that so long as they continue to render service, they should abide by the rules and working conditions and accept the decisions of the Railroad Labor Board or determined by the labor board after a hearing of a dispute.

Violations of the law and refusal to abide by decisions of the board of arbitration, it was stated, by the railway management, the reply said and asserted that suspension of work under non-acceptable conditions was not in violation of the board's decision.

On the President's proposal that lawsuits growing out of the strike be withdrawn and the Railroad Labor Board's decision in each case, the reply stated that the union would accept the law and the decision of the board and would follow the suggestions and would "follow the shopmen."

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—Senator James A. Reed, made a gain of 985 votes when a telegraphic error in returns from Bates County was corrected tonight and is now leading Breckinridge, former third assistant secretary of state in the Wilson administration by 8,935 votes on the face of returns from 3,405 out of 3,848 precincts. The vote: Reed 185,350; Long 174,494.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—Senator James A. Reed is leading Breckinridge for United States by 7,746 votes, on the face of returns from all but 508 of the 3,848 precincts in Missouri. Returns from 3,340 precincts at 10 o'clock tonight give Reed 182,235; Long 174,494.

The Senator's lead which reached more than 25,000 this morning was steadily whittled away as belated returns from rural districts, where the Long election held, came in. Throughout the day Mr. Long maintained a consistent gain with districts.

18 votes per precinct in the County an average lead of approximately 2,000 votes. If this ratio is maintained, the 508 precincts yet to be heard from Mr. Long has a chance of winning, probably by less than 2,000 votes.

In the Republican senatorial race, R. R. Brewer of Kansas City, endorsed by the regular organization probably will win by 20,000 to 30,000 votes.

Only complete returns can settle whether Reed or Long is to carry the Democratic banner into November elections.

An analysis of the vote in No. 10 territory and rural districts where Long is leading shows that a change from the existing ratio of two or three votes to the precinct in the 508 missing units would upset the victory which Mr. Long now claims.

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