For Interesting Points in Western North Carolina and How to Reach Them Over Improved Scenic Motor Roads See Page Two.

ORDER GUARDSMEN AT SPENCER DEMOBILIZED

France Appears On Eve Of Drastic Step To Get Reparations

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Senatorial National

Campaign Committee.

Will Give Answer Today,

While Friends Want

Him to Take Rest.

is engaged are such as would naturally characterize a man 20 years younger than North Carolina's old chieftain of white supremacy.

Those who are associated with

Senator Simmons say that he seems to yield not at all to the passing years. The past several months'

insisting that at the conclusion of the present Senate battle he shall

take several weeks rest and they

this year and that he ought not to yield to the insistence of his col-leagues that he taken on the ad-

ditional burdens incident to the duties of chairman of the National Senatorial Committee.

TRAIN KILLS NEGRO AND POLICEMAN IN FIGHT

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—Unmind-ful of everything except the fight between them, Michael Burke, a special policeman from the New York Central Railroad, James Wallace, a negro whom Burke ar-

rested for trespassing were struck and killed by "Westerner" Cen-tral express as they fought on the

STRIKES PLACE C. & A.

SIX RED ARROW MEN

ARE HURT IN WRECK

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 30,-

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—The Chicago and Alton Railroad was plated in the hands of receivers in Federal Court today by Judge Carpenter. W. G. Bierd, president, and W. W. Wheeleck, an attorney. Were named as the receivers.

According to a statement by Silas H. Strawn, appointed council for the receivers, the receivers.

The choice was of his tariff fight.

IS NOT KNOWN IF

Officials Talk and Act As If Coercive Measures Agreed Upon.

RUHR OCCUPATION IS ANTICIPATED

People Are Behind Government-Troop Movements are Reported.

PARIS, Aug. 30.—(By The Associated Press.)—Grim determination to obtain reparations from Germany, seize guarantees and enforce such payments in the event that the reparations commission's decision tomorrow should grant a moratorium to Germany without exacting the securities demanded by France is everywhere evident in French official circles tonight.

While official announcement is

While official announcement is withheld, in order not to interfere with the work of the commission of his tariff fight.

A Democratic with need, in order not to interfere with the work of the commission and owing to the desire of the French government to allow the German delegates every possible opportunity to make a final proposal which might be acceptable to France. French officials talk and act as if the plan were adopted and France's decision to take coercive measures against Germany had already been decided upon.

The war office also is very busy and is in constant communication with German. Declosuries here to find the plant of the

and is in constant communication with General DeGoutte's headquarters at Mayence; large move ments of troops were reported from Nancy, Metz and the Rhineland and there seemed to be no doubt in the minds of officials generally that the occupation of the Ruhr was a foregone conclu-sion should the commission's de-cision go against France.

Herr Schroeder's propositions to the commission are described as "absolutely unacceptable." Premier Poincare had a long confer-ence tonight with M. Viviani and the Minister of Finance, Mr. De-Lasteyric, Later he received Andrew Lefevre, former minister of would tire and exhaust the energies of the adoption of strong measures of the North Carolina Senator are of the North Carolina Senator are

M. Lefvere appeared in great pirits as he emerged from the Poincare cabinet. Poincare cabinet.

"Our only chance to get anything the Germany," he said, "is
the has already done his share of
for us to go and take it. This is the work for the Democratic party

for us to go and take it. This is what I have been preaching since the signing of the peace treaty. I am happy to find that my view-point will prevail."
Whether the French parliament

whether the French parlament will be convened in extraordinary session will be decided at a meeting of the council of ministers Friday, but it appears that the French people throughout the country are solidly behind the government, with the exception of government, with the exception of the communists and socialists, and approve the punitive measures which the government may adopt. Since the return of M. Poincare from London, members of the cabinet have been busy every Sun-day unveiling monuments to the war dead in many of the large cities, especially those occupied by the Germans during the war.

Search for Him Futile-Rumors Heard of Attempt to Free Him.

CITIEN NEWS BURNAU
TARRONOUGH BOTHL RALEIGH, Aug. 30.—Sawing through the iron bars of his cell window and sliding down the prison wall on a rope of bed clothing, Dr. J. W. Peacock, slayer of Chief of Police Taylor of Thomasville, escaped from the state prison before daybreak this morning and tonight is at large. All he left to greet the insane ward's keeper when he made his flut sour \$32,000. At the offices of first round at 6 a. m., was a new back saw and a note expressing this "regrets" at the hasty departure.

"I hate to leave on my vacation without falling you good-bye but stilled to the receivers and the road's trains. The total indebtedness, it was estimated, will amount to salout \$14,000,000. RALEIGH, Aug. 30.—Sawing

without telling you good-bye but my retreat is so hasty and unexpected that I haven't time" the hote read. "I may see you in the spring or maybe sooner. Best wishes. J. W. P."

MILWAUKEE. W. MILWAUK I hate to leave on my vacation was

Dr. Peacock worked a clever a cheme. If he was insane he was cone of those smart fellows, at any rate. He must have had help from both the inside and the outside.

Many Conjectures as to

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 30,—A train carrying members of the 22nd division from reunion in Madison, was wrecked today near Waukesha. Wis., engineer, was killed and six Red Arrow members injured.

Many Conjectures as to Escape Are Heard.

All sorts of conjectures were offered as to his plans for escape. He may have jumped into a new suit of clothing and taken a Pullman for some distant point. With man for some distant point. With man for some distant point. With some one without to hand him a some one without to hand him a some one without to hand him a licket and a Pullman reservation, licket and a Pullman reservation. The could have passed unnoised into the car, and he might have been slumbering in a berth when been slumbering in a berth when heen slumbering in a berth when he was slumbered into a new suit and a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of more than 10,000 over T. B. Marshall. Mr. Craig has a lead of

VETO SOLDIERS' BONUS MEASURE?

Simmons and Other Amendments Declared Objectionable.

FINAL VOTE MAY BE REACHED TODAY

Will Be Favorable, With Party Lines Effected. It is Believed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 30-His Prestige Sought for All pending amendments to the soldiers' bonus bill were disposed of today by the Senate, but whether a final vote would be reached tomorrow depended upon the num-ber and length of speeches. HE WILL ACCEPT With favorable action assured

e paramount question in the inds of friends and foes alike was the reception the measure would receive at the White House. There still was no official word from the President, but callers who discuss-

Again today the possibilities of a veto ran through Senate debate. Senator McCumber, Republican, North Dakota, in charge of the measure, contended that as reported the proposed legislation met the objections heretofore expressed publicly by the President. He added, however, that he did not know what new objections might present themselves.

lly at work day and night in the tariff fight, although this does not seem to have impaired his health. He does not look to be 68 years old and there do not seem to be any more gray hairs than ten years ago.

He referred particularly to Mr. Harding's request for post-tariff fight, although this does not seem to he although the does not look to be 68 years old and there do not seem to be any more gray hairs than ten years ago.

ments to the veterans.

Leading proponents of the billing the Senate refrain from "loading the Senate refrain from "loading down" the measure with additional amendments which might furnish further ground for a veto. All proposed changes were rejected by decisive majorities. First the Bursum amendment to pay the veterans half cash immediately and remainder in five years, was voted down, 44 to 27. Then, without a roll call, the Smoot proposal to pay the bonus with a manufacturers' sale tax, was disagreed to. Senator Smoot presented and argued at length in favor of his plan to give each veteran a 20-year pay life insurance policy, but this was rejected, 46 to 18.

As they will, on the final vote, party lifes disappeared on the roll call today. The Bursum amendment was supported by 16 Republicans and 11 Democrats and was opposed by 31 Republicans and was opposed by 31 Republicans and 13 Democrats. The Smoot insurance amendment received 15 Republican and three Democratic votes, with 30 Republicans and 16 Democratic votes in opposition.

Members of the Asheville Merchants' Association decided yesterday to close their stores all day Monday, September 4. Labor Day, and in each succeeding year to discrepant to pay and substitute the observance of Armistice Day. November 11.

This action was taken yesterday afternoon at a call meeting of the members of the board of directors and was announced following a vote of all present.

It is stated, however, that drug and cigar stores will remain open as usual.

The meeting vesterday afternoon was well attended and all present voiced their sentiments in regard to the two holidays, with the final results being in favor of observing the day on which the World War was ended, November 11, 1918.

Employes will have all day Labor Day, however, this year and many will avail themselves of the ago.

His energy is unchecked and the snap and fire that he displays in the battles in the Senate and in handling all the work in which he is snaped as each a would not be a sourced.

cratic votes in opposition.

SIMMONS SERVES NOTICE,
DEBTS MUST BE PAID
WASHINGTON BERBAD
THE ASHEVILE CITEEN
(BY H. E. C. BRYANT)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Sena-tor Simmons served notice in the Senate today to foreign countries that the United States should not be willing to cancel their indebt-edness. He said his amendment for using the debt to pay the bonus

-[Continued on Page Tree]

tral express as they fought on the tracks here last night. Wallace had been arrested by Burke when prowling around the yards. He attempted to escape and Burke tried to hold him as the train bore down upon them. They fought back and forth across the tracks while the engineer attempted to attract their attention and stop the train. With the speeding locomotive only a few feet away the negre dragged the policeman onto the track. IN RECEIVER'S HANDS

Johnson Believed Califoria's Republican Nominee for Senate.

COLUMBIA. S. C., Aug. 31.—
With only 93 of the state's 1307
precincts unreported in the South
Carolina Democratic primary Tuesday, a second race between Cole
L. Blease and Thomas G. McLeod
for the nomination for governor is
certain. It is estimated that 5,000
votes are to be reported, indicating
that approximately 75 per cent of
the total enrollment of 226.581
voted.

the total enrollment of 22.5.5.

The tabulated vote at 1 o'clock this morning gave, for governor; Cole L. Blease 71.796; Thomas G. McLeod 61.896; George K. Laney 20.638; William Coleman 3.469; John T. Duncan 1.692; and J. J. Cantey 1,175.

A second race will be run by

Cantey 1,178.

A second race will be run by Blease and McLeod, with the second primary September 12.

On the face of incompleted returns, E. B. Jackson, of Wagener, has apparently been nominated for has apparently been homeacon included in the having a majority of 2,480 over his opponents. The tabulated vote in this race was: Jackson 71,393; Dr. E. C. L. Adams 34,987; J. K. Owens 33,946.

Wis., engineer, was killed and six Red Arrow members injured.

GREAT BRITAIN SENDING GOLD TO AMERICA WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Great Britain is spinning and from her cost of the c

PRESIDENT Purged Of Bolshevism, Odessa Soviet Leading New Russian Revolution WAR OB

While Report Gains Currency, United States Opens Negotiations With Moscow to Know if Commission Can Investigate Conditions.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—(By The Associated Press.)—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Berlin says a report has been received in the German capital that the Odessa Soviet has purged itself of Bolshvism, proclaimed its independence of Moscow and called upon all citizens to unite against the "communist usurpers.

The report alleges that the whole of South Russia has joined with Odessa and that the revolution has been attended by bloody encounters.

the Moscow authorities whether declined to comment in further ex-they would approve the sending planation of the purpose of the of an American technical commis-commission, it was interpreted in ion there to investigate and reort on economic conditions, was evenled today in an official state-nent issued today at the State Department. Ambassador Houghton, at Berlin, was said to have already opened informal communi-cations with the Soviet officials and these are now in progress between the ambassador and Leonid Krassin Soviet minister of foreign trade and commerce.

The statement explained "that the American ambassador at Ber-lin had made inquiries with re-gard to the attitude of the Soviet authorities should this government consider sending to Russia in the future an expert technical con-mission to study and report on the economic situation there," adding

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—(By at any time of sending any com-The Associated Press.)—Opening of informal negotiations by the of informal negotiations by the economic commission of experts to United States with Soviet Russia with a view of ascertaining from While State Department officials

ommission, it was interpreted in other official quarters as indicat-ing a possible independent move by this government to prepare it-self with 5rst hand information on the economic situation in Russic which would be useful in the event t was decided in the future to conbute to the restoration of that country. At the department and elsewhere in diplomatic quarters, however, the assertion was made that the proposed commission was not intended to have negotiatory towards recognition of the Soviet governn ent. Italy, Belglum, Great Britain and Japan already broposec an investigation by

day to close their stores all day application with the Federal Pow-

was ended, November 11, 1918.
Employes will have all day La-bor Day, however, this year and many will avail themselves of the opportunity to enjoy a day of rest while others will visit many resorts in this section.

GERMAN CABINET NOT TO ACCEPT DEMANDS

BERLIN, Aug. 30 (By The Associated Press).—The cabinet has decided to reject new demands sent through Herr Schroeder, of the German finance ministry, by the reparations commission in Paris, for some productive or gold guarantees as a condition to the granting of a moratorium to Germany.

Will Close on Labor Day Proposed \$40,000,000 Development Would Energize Cotton Mills.

Members of the Asheville Mer-chants Association decided yester- Alabama Power Company has filed er Commission, through a subsidiary company, the Alabama Interstate Power Company, for a pre-liminary permit to develop a hy-dro-electric project on the Talla-poosa River in Alabama, which will include four dams with a total capacity of about 140,000 horse wer at a cost of about \$40,000,-The proposed development, it

The proposed development, it was stated, has nothing to do with the Muscle Shoals project, nor in any way affects the offer of the Alabama Power Company, or of Henry Ford for Muscle Shoals.

The application for development on the Tallapoosa River filed with the commission states that the Tal-lapoosa River is non-navigable, but on account of its relation to the navigation of its relation to the navigation of the Alabama River, the War Department has heretofore indicated that the de-velopments on that river should be made under Government superbe made under Government super-vision and approval. The applica-tion states that the projects will make available a large amount of power by the operation of the power plants in connection with other power developments of the Alabama Power Company in the same region and thus get as great benefits as possible from the stored water. This plan of co-ordinating water. This plan of co-ordinating several projects in different water sheds, it is stated, will develop, conserve and utilize for the public interest the navigation and water resources of the region to the —[Continued on Page Two] were brought to trial.

GIVING HIM THE RIGHT CLUB

BY BILLY BORNE.

Illinois Miners Pledged to Defend Their Men to the Limit.

INCRIMINATION THOUGHT FEARED

Reaction of Feeling Dis played—Think It May Be Vindicated.

MARION, Ill., Aug. 30.—(By The Associated Press.)—The investigation of the Grand Jury of the Herrin mine war of June 21 and 22 last, on the third day of its progress, developed two outstanding features; the issuance of the first indictment, and the appearance here of state officials of the Illinois mine workers, including Frank nois mine workers, including Frank Farrington, president, who issued a statement tonight charging forces have combined to convictor members."

our members."
Immediately upon their arrival here the officials of the Illinois mine workers went into conference with A. W. Kerr, chief counsel of the miners which lasted several hours. At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Eurington issued the meeting Mr. Farrington issued the following statement: "The Illinois miners union al-

ready has pledged every means at its command to the defense of any and all of its members that may be indicted in connection with the trouble at the strip mine of the Southern Illinois Coal Company.

Our legal force has been on the ground sometime and I am here together. Our legal force has been on the ground sometime and I am here to-day in company with Vice-President Harry Fishwick, and Secretary-Treasurer Walter Nesbit, so that we may inform ourselves as to exactly what has been done in the interest of our members. We intend to keep in close touch with the trial of such of our men as may be indicted. The Illinois Miners Union will spare no expense in denion will spare no expense in de fending its members.

The very magnitude of the agitation, which is nation-wide, for

ation, which is nation-wide, for onviction in connection with this conviction in connection with this trouble jeopardizes the lives and freedom of innocent men and makes it necessary that the state organization furnish every possible means of defense for our members and that we shall do."

First Indictment For McDowell's Murder
While the name of the first de-

First Indictment For McDowell's Murder

While the name of the first defendant was withheld pending the arrest, it was said the indictment was issued for murder in the first degree in connection with the slaying of C. K. McDowell, superintendent of the Lester strip mine, where the massacre took place.

Today's inquiry took on somewhat of an international aspect, when it was learned that an effort was being made by the Grand Jury to determine whether Mexicans were among the victims of the

were among the victims of the mine war but it was said by offi-cials in touch with the inquiry that thus far nothing tangible had beer that Mexican The fact that some witnesses are

said to have refused to answer questions during the inquiry, while others seem to have suffered a apse of memory as to certain de lapse of memory as to certain de-talls, had led court officials to be-lieve that fear of incriminating themselves has caused the wit-nesses to withhold information. Attorney-General Edward J. Brundage, who is conducting the investigation declared today he was confident that some of these witnesses would offer state's evi-dence as soon as the returning of

indictments showed the Grand Jury had knowledge of the witnesses participation in the crimes. Mr. Brundage declared he was convinced that the Investigation was bringing to light evidence upon which convictions could be ob-

dence as soon as the returning of

tained later when the defendants

CONGRESS

ONE INDICTMENT Warning Is Given Overt Actions Will Bring Troops Back

HARD COAL PEACE DEMOBILIZATION

Bituminous Coal Strike in Pittsburgh Field Comes To an End.

COAL DISTRIBUTION LAW IS HELD UP

Amendments Rejected and House Forced to Quit Withing Voting.

PHILADELPHIA. Aug. 30.—
Members of the scale committee
of the anthracite miners and operators today took up consideration of the suggestions made to
them at Washington last night by
Senators Pepper and Reed, of PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 30.

CLEVELAND AGREEMENT
PREVAILS OVER FIELD
PITTSBURGH, Aug. 30. — The
bituminous coal strike in the
Pittsburgh field came to an end
shortly after noon today when the
Pittsburgh Coal Company, the
largest commercial producer of the
region, signed an agreement with region, signed an agreement with district officers of the United Mine Workers. This company was the last in the district to accept the union terms under the Cleveland

MEASURES VOTED UPON
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WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—(By
The Associated Press.)—After rejecting all amendments to the administration coal distribution bill,
the House ran into an unexpected
storm of talk late today and was
forced to quit until tomorrow without reaching a vote.
Every change proposed was
either thrown out on a point of
order or decisively defeated at the
and of an all day wrangle. Chairman Winslow, of the Interstate
commerce Committee, who was in

ommerce Committee, who was in harge of the measure, predicted it

harge of the measure, predicted it would go through as framed.

As the House worked on the measure which its supporters claimed was all the legislation needed to meet the emergency caused by the coal and rail strikes, word reached leaders that attempts to settle the anthracite tieup might succeed, and that the Senate was ready to take up House coal bills as soon as it was through with the bonus.

President Harding's original suggestion for creation of a buying and selling coal agency was put before the House by Representative Anderson, Republican. Minnesota, with a provision indirectly authorizing selzure of mines if found necessary in connection with agency activities, but it went out on a point of order. Advised that an amendment authorizing the President to take over railroads and mines in the event of "grim necessity" would go out in the same of Continued on Pass Twe)

Search for Guns Among Picketers Marks Last Day of Guard Duty.

CAVALRYMEN ARE CALLED OUT EARLY

Put in Appearance to Stop Trouble Rumored to Be Brewing.

RALEIGH, Aug. 20.—Following a conference with Governor Morrison Adjutant General Metts tonight ordered the eight companies of National Guardsmen stationed at Spencer to return to their home station. They will leave tomorrow morning and all are expected to be demobilized by tomorrow night.

leave tomorrow morning and all are expected to be demobilized by tomorrow night.

Conditions about the Southern Railway shops and in Spencer and Salisbury were considered to be satisfactory by the governor and Adjutant General, justifying the removal of the troops before insuing the orders returning the soldiers to their home stations. Governor Morrison talked over the telephone with Col. Don Scott in command at Spencer, who assured him that conditions there were peaceful with the outlook encouraging for the prevailance of order. In calling the troops from Spencer, warning was issued by the executive that overt acts would send them back. No lawlessness will be tolerated, it was explained, and the removal of the soldiers merely leaves it up to the cool heads in the strike zone to see that the law is respected.

MEN AIREADY TAKEN

AWAY FROM SHOP ZONE

(Special Correspondence, The Athentic Cottom)

SALAISBURY, Aug. 10.—Col.

Don Scott this afternoon withdrew the soldiers who have been
on duty in Salisbury for the past
ten days and tonight ghey are
camped with the five hundred at
Camp Morrison a mile west of the
court house.

Col. Scott tonight held a conference at the Federal building
with representatives of the striking shopmen, representatives of
the Southern Railway and Postmasetr Boyden and Assistant
Postmaster Ratts. The conference
to be held for the purpose of
deciding on the advisability of
continuing troops at Camp Morrisonor sending them home. risonor sending them home

At the conclusion of the con-At the conclusion of the con-ference Colonel Scott announced that his five hundred troops on duty here for nearly two weeks would be moved home tomorrow. Col. Scott had assurance from the strikers and the men inside the shops that they could control the situation. situation.

situation.
Calvary Out Looking For
Trouble Early Wednesday.
A troop of United States cavalry,
headed by Colonel Don Scott, surprised the people of Spencer and
East Spencer by marching around
the picket lines encircling the railroad shops shortly after daylight
this morning, making a search for
——(Castance on Figs Ten)

Rats. Driven by Fumes, Leave Mines - Men There Since Sunday.

JACKSON, Calif., Aug. 30.—(By The Associated Press)—A new ef-fort was started today for the

belief was prevalent that neither crew could hope to reach the im-prisoned miners in less than 48 nours

There were few people about the shafts of the Kennedy and Argonaut mines.

The wives and families of the intombed men, however, assembled it the mouth of the shaft this aft-

Today rats began pouring from he Argonaut mine in droves, Poison gas fumés are driving them out of the lower level and they ame scampering up the timbering by the hundreds.

Two years ago when the Argonaut burned, the same thing ocurred on the second day after the
lames broke out. All gold mines
liong the Mother Lode are infested
with the rodents.

business houses in the vicinity of
the depot and made requests of
many interested in the welfare of
the shopmen, in that section.

It was unofficially reported last
night that response to the requests
with the rodents.

All Will be Ready for

Road Today-Are Raising Benefit Funds.

The placing in service of three engines that have been disabled fort was started today for the rescue of 43 or more men entombed in the Argonaut mine here since last Saturday night.

While work was continued at reopening a man-way from the 3,600-foot level of the adjacent Kennedy mine into the 4,200-foot level of the Argonaut workings, other crews set to work to break through a wall of rock and dirt from the Kennedy's 3,900-foot level, which would admit of entrance into the

Kennedy's 3,960-foot level, which would admit of entrance into the would admit of entrance into the Argonaut shaft at a depth of 4,650 feet.

Mining experts directing the Mining experts directing the rescue work would not estimate the length of time required to reopen either of the tunnels but the belief was prevalent that neither crew could hope to reach the impossible to repair engines damaged during the early part of the strike.

which started July 1, and it is expecied that two additional engines, now awaiting repairs, will be placed in service today. This will place all engines in repair, it is

remained on duty, and they have remained on duty, and they have conducted themselves in a strict

conducted themselves in a strict orderly manner.

First indications of an effort to raise funds for the striking shopmen was reported yesterday morning, when several trainmen visited business houses in the vicinity of the depot and made requests of many interested in the welfare of

RAIL AND