

# Constantinople Fire Throws Population In State Of Panic

## TURKISH CAVALRY BACK IN NEUTRAL ZONE AT CHANAK

British Commissioner Warns Pasha to Order Withdrawal.

SULTAN'S CABINET TO RESIGN TODAY

Tenseness of Situation Eases up in British Official Circles.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—10:40 P. M.—A fire is raging in Upper Pera Street, main thoroughfare of the capital. The population is in a state panic.

ARMISTICE CONFERENCE  
AT MUDANIA, OCTOBER 1

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 25.—It is persistently reported that the sultan's cabinet will resign tomorrow.

The armistice conference will be held at Mudania on or about October 1.

KEMALIST DIVISIONS  
OCCUPY EREN KEUI

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—Turkish cavalry, armed with machine guns, returned within the neutral zone at Chanak today. General Harrington, the British high commissioner, representative here to request Mustafa Kemal Pasha to order their withdrawal. The failure to comply, within a reasonable time, would fall upon the heads of the Kemalists, the instructions said.

Angora government officials announced a Kemalist division divisions totalling 3,000 men, occupied Eren Keui.

BRITISH MOBILE COLUMN  
READY FOR EVENT

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The Reuter correspondent at Constantinople says a force of Turkish cavalry which withdrew yesterday from the zone returned today, the number being estimated at 3,000 sabres.

A British mobile column has taken up a position half way between Eren Keui, ready for even-ting. Some of the British representative of the Angora government at Constantinople explains that inasmuch as Eren Keui was occupied before the joint note of the Allies was received, the Turkish commander in chief has for a longer delay than 48 hours in order to communicate with his superior.

OLD SCHOOL DIPLOMACY  
RELEASING BRITISH CRIES

LONDON, Sept. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—Smiles, which wreathed Lord Curzon's face as he departed from the prime minister's official residence in Downing Street, after a long and tiring mission, typified the general easing up of the tensions in the Near East situation as viewed from the British official circles.

There are expressions of relief that the war crises of last week have been relieved by old school diplomacy, with such an old hand as Curzon directing the marketing. Even when there is no word that the Allied note has yet been delivered to Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Nationalist leader, it is intimated that his refusal to come to terms is extremely unlikely.

A new held in authoritative allied circles that immediate acceptance would be against Turkey's interests. The British official circles are bargaining diplomatically or otherwise always wants a first concession. Then they make the other concessions.

The allies have made Kemal Pasha a definite offer of a definite membership in the League of Nations, but it is believed that Kemal will probably reply with a complete rejection of the British from the neutral zones before the Turkish enter into a peace conference.

Peace has been granted, however, both in Paris and London that no reply will be forthcoming until the British leader sees M. Franklin Bouillon, the French envoy, who is expected to reach Smyrna Thursday.

The danger is not past is evident from today's dispatches reporting new Kemalist intensions. Further warning from the British commander there. Details of the affair are meagre and it may not be serious, according to The Times' Chanak correspondent, small Turkish cavalry patrols were in the zone, but he anticipated no difficulties, as the Turks were showing a genuine desire to be reasonable.

Even when the reply is received here there are likely to be prolonged negotiations, for it is believed that Kemal is anxious to the conference, which in itself would provide ample opportunity for propaganda.

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SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES  
CALLS TO SEE HUGHES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador, was accompanied by British officers today when he called on the State Department after an absence in Brazil of several weeks. While so statement as to the nature of the conference was forthcoming either from the State Department, there were indications that the near East situation were among the subjects discussed.

Official advices from London have indicated that the British government would welcome American participation in the proposed

# Mock Marriages Latest Scheme in Smuggling Game

## Women Barred by Immigration Laws Thus Obtain Passports.

### CONDITIONS FOUND BY INVESTIGATION

#### Get Facts From "Kings" of the Smuggling "Industry."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—Smuggling of European aliens into the United States from Cuba, surreptitiously submerging temporarily in the waters of the Florida coast of large quantities of liquor by later national bootleggers, and mock marriages designed to ensure safety into this country of women barred by immigration laws, form the basis of a report submitted to Secretary Davis by the Bureau of Immigration.

This report, Commissioner-General Husband said today, is the most comprehensive review of smuggling conditions ever prepared by immigration officials, and is expected to be considered by the Treasury, Labor and Agricultural Departments in connection with the proposed co-ordination of border patrol forces.

Government investigators, by direction of Mr. Husband, visited Jacksonville, Tampa, Miami, Tarpon Springs, Key West and Havana. They mingled, it is said, with the "kings" of the smuggling "industry" and talked with "ladies" of every nationality who sought entry to the United States. The data gathered, it is stated, will prove invaluable to the government in coping with the situation which has taxed the ingenuity of Federal ramifications, it is declared, extend agents to combat. The smuggling to the capitals of Europe, and involve Greeks, Spaniards, Poles, Rumanians, Russians and Chinese.

The report states that the favorite method of gaining entry to the United States from Cuba for alien women has been for them to enter into "fake" marriages with naturalized American citizens who, for certain considerations, go through mock ceremonies and then accompany their "wives" to some Florida port. Frequently, it is said, obliging "bridegrooms" have been "paid as high as \$200 for their part in the scheme.

The principal smugglers in Havana, the investigators declared, do not confine their activities to smuggling aliens into the United States, but also handle whiskey and narcotics. The majority of the leaders are said to be naturalized Americans.

# Several Clues in Dual Murder Are Brought to Light

## Rector and Wife of Sexton Planned to Elope to the Orient.

### REVEAL PLANS TO ELOPE TO JAPAN

#### Mrs. Hall Tells of Her Conversation on the Night of Murder.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Sept. 25.—Several clues were found today by detectives investigating the double shooting of the Rev. Ed. Wheeler Hall, rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, and Mrs. James Mills, wife of the sexton, to support the new theory that the couple intended to elope to the Orient.

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# Man Confederate Veterans Arrive for State Reunion Opening Here This Morning

## Carolinas Exposition Opens With Addresses From Chief Executives Of Two States

### Thousands of Visitors Pack Big Building In Charlotte.

#### NOTE CO-OPERATION SHOWN BY STATES

##### Urge Commerce Department in the State Government.

DURHAM, N. C., Sept. 25.—"We would rather ride to Asheville for the annual reunion which starts tomorrow, in a box car over any other road than to ride in the finest Pullman on the Southern," was the statement issued tonight by Commander W. T. Redmond of Camp Webb, Durham County Confederate Veterans. The statement followed a report published in afternoon papers to the effect that the Durham County Veterans would make the trip to the reunion in a box car.

As a matter of fact the Durham veterans will not attend the reunion, having already made a boy's last Saturday afternoon following announcement that the Southern Railway would not allow the customary way for the reunion. He is on the program for an address.

General Carr, Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. V., will be the only Durham County Veteran in attendance at the reunion. He is on the program for an address.

# Plans to Develop Farm Industries Are Taking Shape

## To Localize Crops to Meet Transportation and Soil Conditions.

To develop the important farm industries of Buncombe County, local crops according to soil and transportation conditions and provide better markets, representative farmers of the County met yesterday morning with C. C. Proffit, District Farm Agent, C. E. Miller, County Agent, and James G. K. McClure, president of the Farmers' Federation, to discuss a committee of nine which will further plans outlined in the meeting.

Committee of three were recently appointed to represent the seven rural districts of the county and the districts surrounding Asheville. The districts, or group centers, are Barnardville, Weaverly, Leicester, Swannanoa, Avery's Creek, Candler and Fairview.

These committees, with other farmers from the various sections, were in the meeting and from among the committee of nine was appointed as follows: Wallace B. Davis, Banking; Cecil McElroy, Hogs and Sheep; Thomas Mancy, Beef Industries; George Wallace, Dairying; Alf Daniels, Trucking; Ralph E. Lee, Poultry; C. C. Brown, County Board and Walter Trosky, Chamber of Commerce.

The committee will meet with the Farmers' Federation and Agents Proffit and Miller the first of November, when definite plans will be completed and committees appointed to serve prominently in each branch of agricultural industry. Holding of this meeting before the first of November is made impossible because of the activities in which the members must be engaged during the next few months in preparing for the community fairs.

The committees' finally appointed will under the present plan formulate policies of planting, harvesting and marketing in semi-annual meetings, with special meetings the need arise. They will be subsidiary organizations, with the Farmers' Federation the parent body. Miller submitted an outline of the proposed scope of the work and this was adopted tentatively. His plan calls for the adoption of standard breeds of livestock, proven methods of husbandry, and standardization of seeds.

Should the full extent of the plans be realized, eventually soil fertility, and the marketing of crops will be made and crops raised. The soil test shows one particular section suited to growing of fruit above any other crop and another to growing of truck produce, these crops would be planted as the major ones of the county. Location would also govern the kind of crop to a certain extent.

Fruit, truck and poultry have already been proven profitable crops for this County and Western North Carolina, while the dairy industry in Buncombe County is on the verge of being revolutionized, in the opinion of Mr. Miller, due to the general situation of the Fitting climax to the meeting, which was held at the County Commissioner C. C. Brown told the assembly the petition recently drawn and intended for circulation, asking the abolishment of the Department and Home Agent positions, had been pigeon-holed by him and that no further action by what was termed the "disgraced element" of the County would be forthcoming for the present.

# Henderson Board Restrained From Spending Funds

## Members Taxed With the Costs at Hearing in Waynesville.

Waynesville, Sept. 25.—The Board of County Commissioners of Henderson County are restrained from spending \$200,000 of the \$310,000 fund, for road work, except under the supervision of the State Highway Commission, as a result of a hearing here this morning.

The Henderson Commissioners are taxed with the costs of the legal proceedings and the outcome is considered as a sweeping victory for the petitioners seeking the restraining order. The County Commissioners are W. P. Bain, Chairman, J. T. Statton and G. B. Hill.

This decision, ending an extended controversy over road matters in Henderson County, is believed to mean that work will be started as early as possible on the Hendersonville-Bat Cave Highway, and the State Commission will finance the Hendersonville-Buncombe Highway.

The petitioners were J. Will Pleas, of Marion and A. V. Arledge, O. V. F. Blythe, McBea Ray and G. H. Valentine, of Hendersonville. The Commission was represented by the firm of Carter, Shipman and Arledge, of Hendersonville.

Several prominent Hendersonville citizens were present at the hearing and also the members of the Board of County Commissioners.

# Under Dealers Protest Against Southern Order

## Representative Weaver Wires Commerce Commission for Relief.

Protesting against an "hold order" issued by the Southern Railway, holding up the shipment of lumber from the Murphy branch to points on its own lines, members of the Western Carolina Lumber and Timber Association held a special meeting here today afternoon to discuss means of obtaining relief.

Representative Zebulon Weaver, of the North Carolina District, was present by request and after the meeting telegraphed J. C. Roth, director of service, Interstate Commerce Commission, as follows: "Southern Railway is holding up lumber shipments from Murphy branch to Southern Railway local stations. Industries on this division suffering. Shippers on connecting lines shipping East without trouble. Seaboard and Atlantic Coast Line Railroads accepting lumber for Eastern cities. Southern Railway refuses to handle lumber from Murphy branch. Connection any traffic. Immediate relief is necessary to prevent serious loss to all industries in this section. Shippers demand explanation why Southern Railway refuses to handle lumber from Murphy branch. Carriers refuse to short-haul to connections at nearby junctions, ignoring your service order No. 22."

It was learned that Interstate shipments were prohibited by an embargo, placed September 8, but that the "hold order" was issued that date. It was believed that the embargo might be relieved in the vicinity of Asheville and in the Murphy branch.

Railroad officials state that it is only a temporary order and that the general situation can be handled with efficiency as a result of this concession being cleared.

It is understood that lumber dealers feel they will suffer along with other shippers during the 31-day strike and that the "hold order" is an unnecessary additional burden.

# Recognition of Soviets by U.S. Fails in Paris

## Japanese Government Refuses to Enlarge Scope of Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—Efforts to obtain from the Japanese political recognition of the soviet government of Russia according to reports received here, marked every phase of the negotiations at the Moscow delegation and the soviet representatives were willing to make almost any concession to this end. The Japanese reports say the negotiations were characterized by an entire lack of sincerity on the part of M. Joffe, the head of the Moscow delegation and his colleagues.

From the beginning the Japanese consented to the admission of the negotiations it is stated having been intended to establish business relations only with the Far East. The Japanese thought it was the conviction of the Japanese that the soviet government was demarcated by Moscow, M. Joffe and his colleagues, though really agents of the soviet government. It is said, gained entry into the negotiations by being given credence to represent the Chita government.

At the outset the Japanese imposed the condition that the scope of the negotiations and treaty that might result should be confined closely to Eastern Siberia. Yet in the opening of the Made-in-Carolinas Exposition.

Representative Morrison criticized the action for the central government, but stated it would have to be decentralized in his opinion. He deplored the action of the Japanese in a woeful six if he had to depend on the Federal Government to help the Southern Railway.

The Governor said that the State's right question had been forever settled and that the States were beginning to feel their freedom of action in the affairs of State, church and community.

The exposition opened officially at 3:30 this afternoon with addresses by Governor Morrison, Governor Harvey, Governor McNeill and Governor McNeill. The Governor received with applause. Governor Morrison pointed to the State Labor Commissioner's department and said: "I am proud to have a representative of the State's commerce department here."

Two hundred exhibits which displayed more than 3,500 products manufactured and produced in both States were thrown open to the crowds who visited on the first day. The management predicted a record attendance of more than 100,000 during the two weeks which the exposition will continue.

# Funding Scheme With Great Britain Be Taken Up Again This Week By Foreign Debt Funding Commission

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Resumption of meetings of the foreign debt funding commission this week was indicated today at the Treasury where it was said immediate consideration would be given to the general situation prior to the beginning of interest payments by Great Britain. The first meeting will be arranged subject to the convenience of Secretary Hughes whose return from South America enables the commission to continue its discussions.

The principal question to be determined is whether this Government shall acquiesce in the request of Great Britain that an appropriation of \$50,000,000 be made for the interest on \$50,000,000 British war debt falling due in the next two months. On October 15 \$50,000,000 of interest from Great Britain falls due and on November 15, \$35,000,000 and on November 15, \$35,000,000 and at the rate of five per cent while the act creating the commission authorizes

# Charleston Hospital Beneficiaries in Will

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 25.—Roper Hospital of Charleston, the Presbyterian Hospital of Philadelphia, and historical societies of both cities are made beneficiaries in the will of Mrs. Mary Jane Ross, which was produced today.

The Roper Hospital will get \$100,000 in cash, income from certain property, and one-half of the Roper Hospital of Philadelphia will receive \$20,000 in cash and one-half of the historical societies of the two cities are bequeathed \$25,000 each.

The main residence of Mrs. Ross in Charleston will be converted into a public museum to be known as the Ross Memorial.

# Shortage of Cigar Makers Felt in Tampa

TAMPA, Fla., Sept. 25.—Officials of the Tampa Cigar Manufacturers Association tonight declared that every day for three weeks there has been a shortage of expert workmen in factories here has reached the acute stage.

The Bureau of Immigration that the local association be permitted to bring into the State at least 500 cigar makers here from Cuba, paying the expense of the men from Cuba to Tampa and if the workers desire to return to the island after their work is over, paying their expenses back.

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### WAVE HAVE WITH US TODAY

W. L. Stoddart

A new hotel for Asheville will be a valuable asset," declared W. L. Stoddart, New York hotel architect, who will hold a conference with incorporators for the new hotel on Haywood Street, this afternoon. Mr. Stoddart arrived from Charlotte, where he is architect for a new hotel in that city.

The architect will present a plan to the incorporators this afternoon at 4 o'clock, when a meeting will be held at the National Bank of Commerce.

Mr. Stoddart is architect for a number of well known hotels and it is believed that he will present a plan that certainly is most with the approval of Asheville business men.