INVERNOR M'LEAN GIVES ACCOUNT OF HIS STEWARDSHIP

gards Budget System as Crowning Achievement of His Administration.

IRST MESSAGE TO STATE SOLONS

provement in County Government Now Most Important Matter.

essful workings

with a view to a more uniform chairman.

Enactment of legislation look-

nent of legislation to provide for 1927. eir beautification. Authorization of an equaliza-

public schools of the State.

State supervision of weights neasures in an effective manner. and provision that all vehicles ghways must carry a light at whether motor or horse drawn. by means of inland waterway sys-

ate temporary legislation to pro

al taxes and needed improvements half an hour's meeting, the House re the last to be taken up by Govon of these matters until the close address is taken as an indica-

No mention or discussion of the budand fiscal affairs of the state is in this message, the Governor laining that he had purposely omitthese matters from the present sage, since they will be discussed a special message to be delivered when the report of the advisory get commission and the appropria-

and revenue bills will be submitit bore evidence of much carefu tate as whole uppermost in the nd of the Governor. The first part he message, which deals almost exvely with a review of the first years of Governor McLean's adistration, presents a most inclusaccount of the workings of the measures enacted by the last ature, and of the manner in ich the executive budget system perated is very warmly approvas was expected. Strong approval. ry and wage commission, and the recommended that the salary wage commission be continued as

along the lines of agricultural lence. However, the homweapons and heavier "first come" basis. those who violate these In this same connection, he quiring the licensing of auto- m., London time. perators, in view of the mountcidents on the highways. uld be a most effective means ie of the greatest menaces (Please Turn to Page Three)

DOWN TO WORK IN

ells Legislators He Re-Bill Introduced in Senate to Require All Vehicles to Be Equipped With Lights Used at Night.

> THE 1925 SENATE RULES ADOPTED

hief Executive Says Im- Members of Both Houses Seem Determined to Make the Session One of Most Important.

> Raleigh, Jan. 6.—(4)—Members of the State General Assembly began to--After explaining day to take to their work seriously. They flocked to the House and Sense budget system dur- ate abit earlier this morning, bent wo years, and urging upon making the session one of most Governor A. W. important in history.

the course of his biennial The bill that would require all vegeneral assembly to- hicles to be equipped with lights recommended a num- when traveling at night was introducwhich in his ed by Senator Johnson, of Duplin, necessary for caused further discussion. A similar tinued progress of the state, bill was introduced at the 1925 sesnew measures advocated sion and though discussed at length McLean are: may have more supporters. It has Apointment of a tax commis- been referred to the judiciary committo study the question of local tee No. 2, Senator Rivers, of Johnson,

Senate rules in vogue at the 1925 session of that body were used for deoward an improved form of coun- liberations. The senate voted to make covernment to eliminate waste no change in its rules. Senator Long. of Halifax County, was the chairman Authorization of a \$30,000,000 of the committee named by Lieutenissue for state highways, and ant Governor Long to draw up rules

Chairmen of the big senate committees including Senators Clayton, of and of at least \$3,000,000 a year Moore, on Judiciary No. 1; Rivers, Johnson, Judiciary No. 2; Senator P. Enactment of a state fish and H. Williams, appropriations; Walter H. Woodson, finance; and A. E. Woltz, education, got down to work today in earnest.

Bills in the Senate. The following bills were introduced in the Senate: By Long: To inform Governor Mc-

By Williams: To invite Governor

cter regulations in sale of McLean to read his biennial message

lights at night. session of the House was devoted strictly to business, but it was of a more spectacular nature. After only

the present system of government adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow. The economy theme was thrown to or McLean in the course of his the fore by Representative Moser, of sage, the fact that he left the dis- Randolph, chairman of the committee on rules. He moved adoption of the same rules as governed the House in that he undoubtedly considers 1925. Before he could draw a second Representative Winston, Bertie. was up with an amendment to section 61, which would limit employment of clerical help. In a rousing speech

NEW ERA PREDICTED

he told the House that he had pledged

Upham Predicts We Will Have 55,000 Miles of New Roads.

that starting in 1927, 55,000 miles of tricity is standing the power comnew roadway systems ranging from panies on their heads and from one there is a system of the western counties where the twenty to more than 200 feet wide will spread themselves over the United companies kilowatt to kill, the States, was made by Charles M. Upham, former state highway engineer upon leaving for Chicago where he will supervise the 24th annual road convention and machinery show January 10-15.

"A new era of prosperity in the United States will follow the construction of an efficient and modern highway system," he said. "These highways will enhance the value of rural also given to the work of the ands alone more than \$2,400,000,000, and besides will give the United States millions of dollars annually in reduced congestion.

"At present there are in this country twenty million automobiles, which He also asked is one for every seven persons. In the act creating the commission- California one man in three owns, a pardons and paroles be contin- machine. As a result that state has ills present form. He suggested one of the most modern highway sys-Sky Law" be tems in the world. In twenty years dified slightly to permit the sale of it is possible that there will be 50, bject to registration un- 000,000 cars in the United Stateshe act. Continuation of the publone for every three persons. As a health program was also urged, result the present highway systems of the continuance of must be increased and many methods ork of the department of agricul- will be revolutionized," he said.

with a view to greater di- New Yorkers to Talk to London Mere \$75.00.

New York, Jan. 4 .- New Yorkers Governor McLean said who want to be among the first to ecord of the state had been telephone by radio to Londoners are oving, especially with to be given a chance to "avoid the abolition of lynchings rush" for the \$75 conversations.

Communication will be inauguratstill much too high, and ed at 8.30 o'clock Friday morning reduce this he advocated but calls will be accepted beginning sures with regard to the at 8:30 tomorrow morning on

The service will be available tween 8 a. m. and 1 p. m., New York dvocated the enactment of a time, which is 1:30 p. m., to 6 p.

her of casualties from auto- Hearing on Risberg Charges Post-

Chicago, Jan. 5 .- (P)-The hearing of the charges made by Charles A. "Swede" Risberg, accusing the White Mrs. Cora R. Franz, past most wor-Sox and the Tigers of a crooked series thy grand matron of the General and property. Thus if all in 1917, was postponed today until grand Chapter, Order of Eastern of automobiles were to be in 1900 property. Thus if all in 1917, was postponed today until Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern in the final condenses a man more than a support of the greatest menaces and property. Thus if all in 1917, was postponed today until Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern in the final condenses a man more than a support of the grand matron of the grand ma

Grief Torn



Here are the sorrowing parents of six-year-old Walter Schmith who was slain by Harold Croarkin in Chicago's latest brutal murder.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened at a Decline of From 1 to 6 Points.-Hedging and Liquidation

Development of transportation Lean that the General Assembly is a decline of 1 to 6 points under sellties, especially water transporta- organized and ready to proceed with ing which appeared to be inspired by rather easier Liverpool cables and reports of continued good weather in

The submission of a constitu-or driven upon public highways of the conditions continued favorable ning returns to January 18th exceed recent expectations.

Offerings were comparatively light, however, and some trade buying was reported on the decline to 12.72 for March and 13.09 for July, or about 8 to 10 points below yesterday's closing quotations.

Private cables said there had been edging and liquidation in Liverpool, but there was good business in cotton cloths for shipment to Calcutta and an improved turnover in yarns. Cotton futures opened steady: Jan 12.61; March 12.76; May 12.95; July 13.12: Oct. 13.29.

no jobs, and that he did not believe PROPOSE BILL TO TAX KILOWAT CONSUMPTION

> IN ROAD BUILDING Proposal Calculated to Stand Power Companies on Their Heads.

Raleigh, Jan. 4 .- Preparation of bill designed to raise revenue from Raleigh, Jan 6 .- (P)-Prediction tax on kilwatt consumption of elecwill be offered.

The features are being drafted now. What they will contain is ready for publication, but the will not be unlike others that have been presented. The author of suggestion is George Ross, but Mr. Ross is not a member of the house. He has been interviewed on the subject more than once . A western egislator will make the offering. And there will be the grandes

obby that ever panicky period produced. The proposed tax is an indirect device which the consumer will pay. It is making great headway in

(By International News Service)

Anniston, Ala., Jan. 6.-Shieks cake-eaters and other exponents of the "petting party" have suddenly become "gun-shy" of the flappers in this section.

One youth is convalescing from the effects of two broken ribs which, he alleges, were sustained in the arms of a fair maiden on a "petting party" The physician who administered medical aid to the boy refused to disclose the names of the parties involved or even the name of the "scrapping flapper's, so the boys aren't taking chances with any of them, it is said.

Effort to Avoid Foreclosures on Cot-

ton Farmers. Washington, Jan. 6 .- (P)-In an effort to avoid foreclosures on cotton farmers for failure to pay the full amount of loans borrowed last year struction here seems quite the natural through the federal intermediate cred-thing; knowledge is rampant, culture it banks, Senator George, Democrat, inevitable. This contact of open mindof Georgia, today called on the Federal Farm Loan board for information to study newspaper making should on its foreclosure policy.

tent of participation and the determination to follow the leader in success ful activities. Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 6.-(P)-'back to school' movement. There

Governor McLean Says He Has No Thought of Turning Back

mended.

a law to prevent fraudulent deathigs in real estate proposed.

Radical suggestions for judicial re-

form were made in that the Superior court system be taken from under

constitutional jurisdiction and placed

under the Supreme court as means

toward remedying present apparent

Agricultural diversification, more

stringent "pistol-toting" laws state-

wide game laws, state-wide weights

and measures laws, \$30,000,000

highway bnd issue and drivers' licenses, local and county government

and local tax reforms were all recom

Leading the long list of recom

nendations was the executive budget

system. It was enacted into law at

the 1925 general assembly at the

the Governor became the business head of the state in much the same

manner as an executive orrects the

Governor McLean described

measure enacted into law by

Governor's recommendation.

CONCORD, N. C., THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1927

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. C.—(P)— Blue Sky laws was recommended and Midstream, Governor McLean india a law to prevent traudulent deathigs cated last night that he had no in real estate proposed. cated last night that he had no tention of turning back.

His biennial message, delivered the General Assembly in joint e sion, reviewed the first two years his administration and made reco mendations for the last two. It was the Governor's second at last general legislative message, its contents covered an epoch

North Carolina history. Resume of progress under radia governmental departures institute by him in 1925, recommendation that they be continued in effect du ing the coming biennium, and posal that other "radical" legislation be adopted featured the message.

"With the convening of this Ger eral Assembly, one-half of my tern as Covernor as expired. I come give an account of my stewardship. ne said, launching into the body his message. destinies of private corporations.

He explained briefly the change economic conditions which he con sidered made changed forms of gov ernment necessary. He told of the establishment of the Executive Bud- General Assembly of 1925." get, the Salary and Wage commission and other innovations sponsor ed by him and created by the 1925 natural result of changed financial assembly.

He said these things were stepe toward bringing the state to living and its more recent adoption by the

with the Salary and Wage commissioner sion and the Pardon commissioner On the matter of eight mouths Carolina.

Inst complete budget ever presented by to increase the total. American naval strength available to Admiral Latimer.

school, a most question throughout Governor McLean touched briefly the state for many months, he was upon acts supplementing the execusilent, but told the assembly that tive budget act, which revolutionized sideration the report of the Educa ure. He stressed the provision which making an exhaustive study of the ban on issue of state bonds except project.

Another commission report was ments, and provision for their not completed in time for its recom- amortization within the life-time of mendations to be touched upon in the the improvement, for which the message. That is the findings of the bonds were issued, and provision for Transportation commission, but sub investment of sinking funds. ject of right-of-ways for luland The Salary and Wage commission, waterways was covered by the Governor's pet legisla-

in Liverpool.

New Yorg, Jan. 6.—(A)—The cotton market opened steady today a at the session and form the basis of instate employes and their families portant legislation.

FOLLOW SLOGAN,

Institute.

this week.

Amendment of the Capital Issues justice of the measure," he said.

newspaper executive and department

head in the Tar Heel state should

John A. Park, publisher of The Ral-

eigh Times, president of the South-

tion, and Associated Press members,

so declared last night. His address

and the extension division of the Uni-

Mr. Park outlined plans for con-

per workers in the entire territory of

Round table discussions by six

groups embracing the major depart-

for weekly papers are in session.

chairman of the study groups, func-

Mr. Park's remarks were, in part

"It has been said that the greates

of human tragedies is that life which

leaves no other record of its existence

"The great newspaper tragedy

modern times may, in one community

be a shiftless, spineless sheet with

no claim for tolerance except the mo

nopoly of its field. In another sec

tion the tragedy may be self-inflicted

by an imposter that aims to supplant

edy may be the simple, dry rot o

mediocrity as the penalty for failure

"It is the lethargy of the status

quo which meetings like these should

counteract and prohibit. If the dis-

cussions here do nothing more than

"Any meeting here on the campus of

North Carolina's great state univer-

sity is in itself an inspiration. In

ed persons imbued with the desire

prove helpful in proportion to the ex-

"There is nothing new about th

dissolve tendencies toward inertia

they will not have been in vain.

to join the procession of progress,

"Again, the modern newspaper trag

except the passing of years.

its established predecessors.

benefit of all state members.

tioned.

as follows:

versity of North Carolina.

follow the slogan "Back to School"

BACK TO SCHOOL

gatherings as there are professions. demand specially trained workers. If Phone 630, Says John A. Park, of the Raleigh newspaper running be classed as a Times, in Address at Newspaper business operation, and indeed it is that if nothing else, the success and general progress of the newspaper industry is almost wholly dependent on

personnel selection and training. There is a rule in some establishments that only experienced workers are to be employed. The better plan, now in force by many newspapers and ern Newspaper Publishers Associa- other enterprises, fills important positions by advancement of workers upward from the ranks.

was delivered at the third annual "A successful publisher Press Institute neld under auspices of said that he had done his last 'imthe North Carolina Press Association porting. He selects his department heads and executives from his own ranks and not by disrupting other organizations and taking chances on the ducting training schools for newspa- possibilities of strangers fitting into his places. Surely, the plan of adfourteen states embraced by the or vancing workers to more important preferable to the uncertainties of fre-

quent labor turnover. "How then, may an ambitious and ments of news, advertising, circula- alert newspaper with suitable physical tion, mechanical accounting and ex- equipment be assured of continuous ecutive, will be conducted during the and effective advancement and certainnext two days. Two hours of the ty of profits? There can be no more institute program each day is to be definite and positive plan under any devoted to these conferences for daily conditions than that of personnel newspapers while similar conferences training.

"The success of any group of workers can be duplicated under similar Some 200 department heads and representatives of the forty North circumstances by some other group with equivalent knowledge and train-Carolina dailies have been assigned ing. The magic of success is nothspecific topics and reports of these discussions will be recorded for the ing more than the product of skilled hands and trained minds. It is not to those who wait for success that Charles A. Webb, publisher of the it comes, but to those who prepare Asheville Citizen, and state director for it.' of the Southern Association as general

Death of J. M. Hill at Lenoir. Lenoir, Jan. 6 .- (A)-J. M. Hill, former manager of the Charlotte branch of the Standard Oil Company and well known as an educator and business man over the Carolinas, died

here today. He had been ill for Mr. Hill retired from active business ten years ago. He spent most of his time traveling. He came here when his health

failed during the past summer. He is survived by his widow, a sister, Mrs W. P. Bynum, of Greensboro, and a daughter, Mrs. Arthur Black, of Columbus, Ga.

"Miss Nebody" at the Concord Thea-

The Concord Theatre is showing today and Friday "Miss Nobody," with Anna O. Nilsson in the leading role. This story was published serially in The Tribune some time ago and was greatly enjoyed by our readers.

The Concord is also showing today shots from the Alabama-Stanford Football game played in California on New Year's Day.

ing", is the new slogan of the British government to attract winter visitors. Americans are invited to rideand fall-with the Prince of Wales

WEATHER FORECAST.

utives' conferences—perhaps as many north winds.

NICARAGUA TODAY

They Will Carry an Expe- Administration Building Of Railroads in Southeastditionary Force of 4,000 Marines.—Will Report to Rear Admiral Latimer.

TWO DESTROYERS LEFT YESTERDAY

Admiral Latimer to Protect American Lives and Property in Nicaragua.

Washington, Jan. 6 .- (A)-Six ad-

ditional naval vessels have been oract as perhaps the most important peditionary force of 400 marines. The ships are: the cruisers Cincin-nati and Marblehead, the destroyers it to the ground. Early estimates are Coast Line, the Norfolk & Western He declared the system has been remarkably successful, and was a Barker, Smith-Thompson and Os- that the loss will amount to \$75,000,- the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Poborne; and the submarine tender Ar- or \$100,000 in actual damages. gonne. tem for over 200 years in England

They will report to Rear Admiral within its income, not, he emphasized, to bring about drastic restrenchment to retard material programment and many states of the Union.

The newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and the newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and the newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and the newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and the newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and the newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and the newspaper says the men forces in Nicaraguan waters, for such disposition as conditions warrant. He said that he would touch much Two other destroyers left Norfolk yes-Starting with the Executive Budget, he pointed out its worlings, and asked its continuation along and asked its continuation along and Wage commis-

pose of the dispatch of additional troops and ships was to enable Adsoon it would have before it for con parts of state governmental proceed miral Latimer to "thoroughly protect" American lives and property in the tional commission, which has been required daily deposit of state funds, war-torn Central American country.

> With Our Advertisers. All kinds of blank books at the Kid-Frix Co's. See new ad. today for a partial list.

S. W. Preslar has the watch you See him at Cline's Pharmacy. | building. Don't order enlarged photographs from a traveling agent. See Boyd tive enactments, was taken up next-

Prices greatly reduced on artificial flowers at Cline's Pharmacy. Go and look at one of the beautihave come to realize the wisdom and Furniture Company.

Prices on the Whippett car have of the college. been reduced, and now run from \$625 juries at the fire.

Advanced spring styles in hats are ready at the Richmond-Flowe Com- Remarks Made at Opening by Presi-

ery Company. Phone 676 and 686. Manhattan and Berger shirts at Hoover's.

A new quarter in the savings department at the Citizens Bank and Trust Company began January 1st. the third Newspaper Institute here, All deposits made before January 10th will draw interest at 6 per cent.

from January 1st. You will find at Robinson's the greatest storewide reductions in the history of this store.

The G. A. Moser Shoe Store, formerly the Markson Shoe Store, will ginning Friday, January 7th, and conganization of publishers which he and more lucrative position is far of ladies' silk hose will be given free fice. with every pair of ladies' slippers size 3 sold. Every shoe in the house will be on sale and the price will be right.

See three-column ad. on page seven. fail to see them in "The Flaming Frontier." Chief Little Otter and Princess Yellow Bird will appear in person at the Pastime Theatre today tomorrow and Saturday. They are real Indians who take part in "The 'Flaming Frontier, Thursday, Fri-

day and Saturday. Bob's Dry Cleaning Company watches the work sent out from start to finish.

One 50-cent tooth brush and one 50-cent tube of toothpaste, both for 39 cents at Cline's Pharmacy.

First Southwide Baptist School Conference.

Memphis, Tenn. Jan. 6 .- (INS)-Sponsored by the Sunday School vention, the first southwide Baptist Sunday School conference will be held here January 18-21. It is estimated that at least 3,500 persons from out-

side of Memphis will attend,

Half of the conference will be de voted to inspirational sessions to be outstanding speakers and the other half to deprtmental conferences.

Richmond, Va. Jan. 6 .- (INS)assisted by the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, the State Highway Commission will begin on January 10, the advertising campaing to put the highways of Virginia before the eyes of the road builders of the nation. Plans have been made to issue literature and souvenirs.

The Virginia State Highway Commission is said to be one of the largest bodies of its kind in the world.

Thompson Guns.

New Orleans, La. Jan. 6. (INS)-Following the introduction here in recent holdups of the machine amous "Chicago weapon," police announced that shortly the New possession for use in fighting bandits, four Thompson machine guns, capable Cathedral. of firing 300 .45 calibre bullets each per minute.

FIRE AT LENOIR-

Practically Destroyed, **Entailing Loss Amount**ing to \$75,000 or \$100,000

ORIGINATED FROM **UNKNOWN SOURCE**

The Purpose is to Enable Entire Library, Valued at Full List of Roads Included \$20,000, Was Destroyed. -Building Was Partially Covered by Insurance.

Hickory, Jan. 6 .- (A)-Fire originating from an unknown source dered to Nicaragua, carrying an ex-) swept the administration building of vote is being taken by conductors. Lenoir-Rhyne College at an early hour trainmen and yardmen of the Ch

than \$20,000, was totally destroyed. ritory. Latimer, in command of the American Tre President's office, and library, the disposition as conditions warrant, class rooms, and a literary society not they will remain in the service had were all wrecked.

oldest and most beautiful in the colagreeable to the general chairmen an lege group. The building was partly executive officers of the organiza-

ed in the library which is in the South the order of Railroad Conductors, as wing of the administration. Many of W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherthe students had just arrived from the hood of Railroad Trainmen. Christmas vacation yesterday and when the blaze reached its height several of them threw trunks and clothes from dormitory windows. The south side of the building where

the wing containing the president's office, the college auditorium and the library, the most valuable parts of the President H. Brent Shaeffer announced this morning that he expect-

immediately. Classes were being held today as usual, but those which should have ful bedroom suites at the Bell-Harris been held in the administration build- Railroad of Alabama and Winstoning were being held in other parts There were no in-

NEWSPAPER INSTITUTE

dent Honeycutt.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 6 .- President A C. Honeycutt, of the Stanly News-Schloss Bos. clothing, Stetson and Herald, Albemarle, and of the North and yardmen of railroads in the south-Schoble hats, Cooper's unionsuits, Carolina Press Association, last night welcomed the state's newspapermen as "panegryists of the glory of Old North Carolina."

The occasion was the opening of under auspices of the State Press Association, the Southern Newspaper been ordered. It is understood the Publishers' Association and the Uni-

versity of North Carolina "We are here to better prepare our selves for the fight ahead of us, the fight against the many enemies which

the panegyrists of the glory of strike vote and wage increase sought North Carolina and her people.

"It is our business to record history of this great state day by day and that's the biggest job I know. "This state has long been too wanting in writers big enough to tell of the glorious deeds of our people.

"Alexander the Great, when standing at the grave of Achilles, said: 'O happy youth, to find Homer as the panegyrist of your glory!" said the truth; for if the Iliad had not existed, the same tomb which covered his body would have also buried

"So let us as the panegyrists of North Carolina's glory, take courage and get down to the work for which we have assembled here, that if may be said of our state, 'O happy North Board of the Southern Baptist Con- Carolina, to find such a fine lot of panegyrists of our glory.

> FATHER OF 34 CALLS AT THE WHITE HOUSE Reuben Bland Calls on the President.

-Says He Is in Perfect Health. Washington, Jan. 6 .- (A)-A father of 34 children called at the White House and was received by President he declared. "We enter the new year Coolidge with a smiling face.

Reuben Bland, of Robertsonville, N. C., in Washington on his third trip away from home, called on Presdent Coolidge to remove from the President's mind the impression that have goods to be sold and the world Leander Gentle, of Georgia, who called is buying them," he continued. "We some time ago at the White House and have produced the largest cotton crop

President Coolidge appeared delighted at the call, and laughingly told large diversified crops. The low price the North Carolinian that he ought of cotton will harm no one. We to be thankful for all his blessings. Mr. Bland declared himself in perfect health despite his 72 years.

A portrait of King James' 1, carved on a plum stone encased in a crystal Orleans police force will have in their and framed in gold, has been presented to the Chapter of Southwark

Nothing upsets a man more than

A STRIKE VOTE IS DEING TAKEN BY

ern Territory, Including Seaboard Cosat Line and the Worfolk & Western.

ORDER MAILED **DECEMBER 23RD**

Ballote Being Cast at Request of Executive Committees of Organizations.

Richmond, Jan. 6 .- (A) - The Richtomac, the Seaboard Air Line and The entire library, valued at more other railroads of the southeastern ter

The newspaper says the men of the employers unless a satisfactor The administration building was the agreement can be obtained which overed by insurance.

Officials spent the morning search—the request of the executive commiting for some clue as to the origin of tee of the organizations with the anthe blaze. It is thought to have start- proval of L. E. Shepard, president of

Other roads affected by the are: The Atlanta & West Point Ra road, the Atlanta Joint Terminal Central of Georgia Railroad Company Charleston & Western Carolina Rail the fire did the most damage was road Company; Clinchfield Railroa Company, Florida East Coast Railroad, Georgia Railroad, Gulf Mobil (A) Northern Railroad Company, Jacksonville Terminal Company, Louisvill Henderson & St. Louis Railroad Com ed to start a program for rebuilding Company, Mobile & Nashville Railroad Company, Mobile & Ohio Railroad, Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, Norfolk Southern Railroad, Tennessee Central Railroad, Western Salem Southbound Railroad.

The order of the strike vote was mailed from Washington on December

Lee Confirms Report. Cleveland, O., Jan. 6 .- William G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood o the report that conductors, trainmer eastern territory are taking a strike

vote. Southern Not Mentioned. Washington, Jan. 6.-(A)-The Southern Railway' is not mentioned among those roads of the southeast. on which trainmen strike votes have

Southern's contract with the trainmen does not expire until March 1st. Wage Increase Declined by A. C. I. wilmington, N. C., Jan. 6,—(P) daily strive against the things we Officials of the local brotherhood of have a Change of Ownership Sale be hold dearest, the enemies of liberty, railway trainmen and conductors unof happiness, progress, such as disease, ion said today that a committee repretinuing through January 29th. A pair ignorance, vice and corruption in of senting these unions left yesterday for "somewhere in Florida" "Ours is the duty to champion the with W. N. Doak, vice president of cause of our country and our fel- the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen lows, and our privilege is to act as and chairman of the general committees of the two unions, to discuss the

> is said to have been declined by the Atlantic Coast Line and other roads. Local union officials have been advised that the vote was to be taken at

once, they said.

by the two unions, which thus far it

SEES ONLY GOOD BUSINESS FOR FUTURE

Business, Financial and Econo in States of South is Sound Atlanta, Ga. Jan. 6 .- (INS) -Out greatest days are ahead.'

"I can see nothing but good busi ness, peace and plenty for the future. The business, financial and econor status of the entire South is sound," The head of an organization which embraces 14 establishments in 13 Son. thern cities, from Atlanta to Charles ton on the East and to Fort Worth on the West. J. J. Haverty, wellknown furniture dealer, makes these statements in expressing his confi-

dence in the future of the South. "We have just completed the best year in the history of our organization, covering a period of 41 years,' with no cloud on the business horizon and confidently expect to be our ner year."

"Industries in the South are all active and labor is fully employed. We boasted of his twenty-eight children, in history, and, while the price has had set a record in the matter of not been as high as it probably should have been, still I do not believe it has hurt the South. We have raised weathered every storm, and always have emerged a greater, stronger and more independent section than ever. "There is nothing but progress for

business and individuals in the South,

so long as everyone works, has con "Our greatest days are ahead."

British air lines are to fly an ensign, which will be specially designed