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HUNDREDS OVERCOME BY SMOKE IN N. Y. | NEGRO BOYS DANCED OVATION TO WOOTEN HIGH SCHOOL NOW SUBWAY FOLLOWING STALLING OF TRAINS BY BLOWOUT FROM DEFECTIVE CABLES IN CHICAGO SCHOOL

Traffic In Tube Tied Up for Hours-At Least Three Are | Principal, Protested to, Put Dead and Others Reported to Have Succumbed to Injuries

EVERY FIREMAN AND AMBULANCE IN CITY CALLED

Official Investigation of Worst Disaster in Tube Travel's History to Be Held-Hospital Holds 150 Victims-Heat Unbearable in Stalled Cars and Windows Could Not Be Raised for Smoke-Firemen Worked in Short Relays and Many Were Rendered Unconscious

N. Y. LEGISLATURE

CONVENES AT ALBANY

(By the United Press)

Albany, Jan. 6-In accordance with

state law the legislature will convene

here today, the first Wednesday in

SIX-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN

IN NORTH CAROLINA MILLS

Washington, Jan. 5.-Lewis W.

Hine, staff photographer for the Na-

tional Child Labor Commission, made

the statement to the commission to-

day at its eleventh annual conference

that while child labor conditions in

two little girls six years of age work-

ing in North Carolina cotton mills.

The statement caused a sensation

the last five years but very vound

THE NATIONAL OPEN

By Hal Sheridan

(Written for the United Press)

petition b yelubs to secure the nation-

al open golf tournament has been dis-

played this year. The Fox Hills

Club has for sometime been keeping

this fixture in view and tomorrow at

the annual meeting of the United

States Golf Association the decision

of the officials will be made known.

The Baltusrol club has also been a

keen competitor for the tournament

and contends that it is entitled to it.

open or any other championships.

Many Western men have expressed a

desire to see the open held again

over the Long Island course. It is

regarded in the West as certain that

the open will be held near New York.

If the large delegation from Chicago

vote solid they will probably hold the

Body checking in hockey has been

practically disbarred by the Amateur

Hockey League. No player who is

now be checked. Tht interpretation

puck so long as he can reach it with

A player coming down the ice and

must be given the right of way and

not checked against the boards. The

hard checking which in the past has

been a feature of many games here

will thus be abolished to a great ex-

tent. A faster game is possible under

In spite of the fact that he had

nual meeting next month.

key to the situation.

his stick.

New York, Jan. 6 .- Unusual com-

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Carolina mills," said Mr. Hine.

among the delegates.

(By the United Press)

New York, Jan. 6 .- The entire New York subway system was tied up for hours today as the result of a blowout in the tube at Fifty-ninth street. which started a fire that filled the entire system with smoke. The trains were filled with passengers January. With its meeting, the wheels and a wild panic ensued. All the am- of the new state government, begun bulances in New York were called today, will be started on their revoto treat passengers overcome by the lutions. The make up of the Senate smoke. In answer to three alarms all will be: Republicans 33, Democrats the firemen in the city were called on 17 and Republican-Progressive 1. The to aid in getting the people out of assembly will be composed of 99 Rethe tube filled with smoke for more publicans, 49 Democrats and 2 Prothan a mile. All police reserves were gressives. The presiding officer of called out. Great danger threaten- the senate will be the lieutenant goved the cars stalled in darkness and ernor, Edward Schoeneck. The refilled with passengers. A hundred election of Thaddeus C. Sweet, Phoenix were overcome by smoke and are in as speaker of the assembly is praca serious condition. It was impossi- tically assured. ble to open the windows of the cars and the heat became unbearable. Women collapsed. All the lights on the trains were out. Victims were stretched on the sidewalks and given first aid. Many firemen, overcome by smoke, were carried out in an unconscious condition.

Thirteen persons are in a very serious condition. Seven hundred are the South had improved he had found suffering from shock and smoke asphyxiation.

It was the worst disaster in the subway's history. Three hundred were overcome by the smoke and 150 were taken to the Polyclinic Hospital. Many were burned. The firemen worked in five-minute relays. It is reported but not confirmed that some were smothered to death in the tubes. Doctors giving first-aid reported the two showed no signs of life. An unidentified woman victim of the subway accident is this afternoon dead in the Polyclinic Hospital. The disaster will result in a complete investigation of subway methods, according to District Attorney Perkins. The fire was out at 11:30.

Officials of the Interborough insisted that none of their trains were burned. The fire was due to faulty insulation of cables. Fire Commissioner Adamson said as trains were stalled they were searched as rapidly as possible for dead bodies. According to R. J. Lewis, a passenger on one of the trapped trains, the guards locked the doors and deserted the imprisoned passengers. Men and women fainted. Those standing in the aisles began dropping like ninepins after the cars had been stalled a few minutes. Windows were broken with fists and heels.

STAND GUARD ALL NIGHT TO FIGHT OFF OFFICERS

Joseph Boyer and Brother-in-Law Barricaded Themselves On the Island in Icy Stream With Guns Turned on Pursuers.

(By the United Press) Chicago, Jan. 6.—Determined fight to the death to evade arrest on of this rule depends considerably on a charge of robbery, Joseph Boyer and his brother-in-law, Harry Shefter, all night stood with rifles in hand to prevent a sheriff's posse from approaching an lice-locked island in Roche river, where they had barricaded themselves.

DEAN SUMMER BECOMES THE BISHOP OF OREGON

Chicago, Jan. 6.-Dean Walter Taylor Summer, long prominent in the new rule. social welfare work in Chicago and chairman of the vice commission pressive ceremonies, at the Catholic ciation, if he is re-elected at the an- of what a judge says in his charge is tion 9 of the Justice act—the long of Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

Stop to Mixing of Races at Play-Action Upheld By the City Superintend-

ent of Schools

(By the United Press.) Chicago, Jan. 6.-Chicago's superintendent of public schools today upheld Principal Fanny Smith's division of the white and negro children in her school's social affairs. Miss Smith divided the whites and negroes when the parents of whites protested against negro boys dancing with the white girls.

CITY AUTHORITIES WILI HEAR OTHER BIDLERS

If Leach & Co. Defer Consummation of Their Purchase Much Longer. Note to That Effect Has Gone Forth to New Yorkers.

If Leach & Co., of New York dillylally much longer about closing the deal for the \$100,000 worth of city bonds they some time ago obligated to take from the Kinston City Council, the council will call the thing off and sell the issue to somebody else. A telegram to the Leach company on Tuesday conveyed that information, couched, of course, in polite language. A reply came immediately stating that the delay in the consummation of the negotiations rested with their attorneys, and that they would hurry their consideration to an immediate conclusion.

A Toledo, O., firm of brokers has asked the city authorities if the bonds are still on the market and available for an immediate transfer, and it scems that there are plenty of other would-be purchasers of the issue which is the one voted last summer "There has been a marked improve- for street, sewerage and lighting imment in the general situation during provements.

The market children are working today in North is said by authoritative brokers, has improved a great deal recently, and it will not be difficult for the Kinston city fathers to get above par for the issue, which they wish to dispose of immediately so that work may be commenced on the proposed exten-

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONER COMING TO THIS STATE.

Reidsville, Jan. 5 .- Anthony Caminett, commissioner of immigration in the Department of Labor in Washington, will visit Spray and Wentworth during the next few days. He was invited by Col. Frank Mebane of Spray, owner of an Immense Hereford cattle farm and for many years a prominent cotton manufacturer.

The natural advantages of Rockingham county and surrounding territory have for some time appealed The Garden City Golf Club has a to Mr. Caminetti in connection with look in and the Wilmington Country his studies of the adjustment of farm Club is anxious to secure either the labor and rural credits.

NEW BERN NEGRO BANK CLOSED BY THE SHERIFF.

New Bern, Jan. 5 .- Acting upon legal instruction . Sheriff Richards B. Lane this afternoon closed the doors of the Mutual Aid Banking Co. of this city, and telegraphed the Corporation Commission to send an examiner to look into the affairs of the institution, which is operated by nenot actually handling the puck may groes.

During the past few months several judgments have been secured the referee for the rule is taken to against this bank by different conmean that the player is playing the cerns scattered over the country. Execution of a judgment for one hundred and fifty-eight dollars by the D. L. Arey Distilling Company of carroming the puck against the boards Baltimore, Md., was the direct cause of the closing of the bank.

WHEDBEE SAYS JUDGES WASTE MUCH BREATH.

Wilmington, Jan. 5 .- In charging the grand jury at the opening of Superior Court here yesterday Judge H. declared that he would retire, Robert W. Whedbee of Greenville, remarked whose work attracted national atten- D. Wrenn has consented to accept that he had come to the conclusion tion a few years ago, was today con- the office of president of the United after his four and a half years' expesecrated bishop of Oregon with im- States National Lawn Tennis Asso- rience on the bench that 95 per cent. I a useless consumption of time.

WITH WHITE GIRLS WHEN PRESENTED TO HOUSE AS SPEAKER

Unanimous Choice of Caucus When Opponents Read "Handwriting"

LEGISLATURE ORGANIZES

Governor's Message Thursday - Kinstonian Says Business Will Be Conducted With Dispatch In the Lower House

(By W. J. Martin.)

Raleigh, Jan. 6.-Emmett R. Wooten was given an ovation when presented to the House as Speaker today. In acceptance of the office, Mr. Wooten announced his determination to see to it that the work of the session both in committees and on the in such a way as to make sure to avoid congestion in the last days and weeks of the session, and that the work will be completed within sixty days, the constitutional limit.

Both branches of the Legislature vere duly organized today by the election of officers chosen by the Demcratic caucuses.

Governor Craig's message goes to he Assembly tomorrow. Elected Speaker by Acclamation.

Mr. Wooten is being showered with congratulations today upon his uccess in the House caucus last evening, when his three opponents withdrew to leave him the only candidate for the speakership before the caucus. It was conceded by all three several hours before the caucus met that Mr. Wooten had an easy majority, and the other aspirants. T. C. Bowie of Ashe, L. H. Allred of Johnston and A. A. F. Seawell of Lee, very gracefully served as the committee which escorted the Kinston man to the floor after he had been unanimously selected by the 93 members present.

MARY GARDEN



Mary Garden, the American prima donna, came to America for the holidays, but intends to return at once to France, where she converted her home into a hospital and has been devoting herself to nursing wounded French soldiers. She intimates that she may never return to the opera stage.

Raleigh, Jan. 5 .- The short lines of North Carolina railways today com-W. Bailey of Raleigh, who will present their case to the General As-

Will Also Use Building-650 Children Will Be Benefited by Completion of the Structure

The handsome new East Lenois street schoolhouse was occupied this morning at 9 o'clock by the high school and eight grammar grades and Superintendent of Schools Barron Caldwell, who will have his office in the building. Eighteen rooms are being used by the 650 children entered

The new schoolhouse was to have been put into commission on Monday, but the failure of the architect to arrive to formally accept the building interfered with the authorities' plans and kept the children out of it for two days. Architect Frank H. Thomson has not yet arrived from floor of the House, will be dispatched | Charlotte to accept the work, but the officials were allowed to go ahead with the use of the building since no doubt exists as to the safety and adequacy of the heating and ventilating facilities of the house.

The finishing touches to the exterior are being put on today. The work does not interfere with the study of the classes, however, and the children were at work soon after their admission, and as much at case as in their old quarters. The interior of the East Lenoir street building is airy, light and altogether inviting. The appointments in every particular are of the most modern. The structure cost, equipped, around \$42,000, and is one of the finest public school buildings in North Carolina,

KEITH GORE, SHOT BY GIRL'S BROTHER, DEAD

Warsaw, Jan. 5 .- Keith Gore, who was shot at Bowden over a girl, is

Gore was shot at the home of Louis Anderson last week because, it is alleged, he had threatened to kill Anson's sister if she went with a man named Coleman. There is another story, however, to the effect that Gore and the Andersons had been hunting during the afternoon and returning a misunderstanding arose between them; that Louis Anderson and Gore were scuffling over a gun when Gore was shot.

CITIES PROTEST TODAY ON RESERVE BANK LOCATIONS

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 6 .- Rival claims of Richmond, Va., and Baltimore, Md., for financial and commercial supremacy were aired here today. Hearings were begun by the federal reserve board upon the protest of Baltimore against the location of the regional reserve bank at Richmond instead of Baltimore. Failing to win out in a fight with Richmond to have the regional bank located at Baltimore, interests of the latter city, request, as cluded in the Philadelphia instead of the Richmond banking district.

Other protests of geographical divisions of the new banking system were heard by the board later. The regional banks were assigned by the "organization committee" before the board was appointed. The board has authority to re-district and change secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and posing faction. Comptroller of currency John Skelton Williams were members of the organization committee making the original selections and are now members of the board, it is thought that important changes in the present geoare doubtful.

Prominent bankers and business men of both Baltimore and Richmond and a fine of \$6,000 by Federal Judge appeared today. They filed reams of Pollock. Chambers was the promoter documents pro and con. The oral of the Chambers Land Company, orarguments today, however, were the ganized to sell land in the Florida first held by the new board.

BIRMINGHAM'S GREAT NEW RAILROAD YARD.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 5 .- Finley Railway, just north of Birmingham,

CHAMBER COMMERCE TURKISH FORCES IN IN HANDSOME NEW | TO CONSIDER FOUR

Grammar School Grades Fair, Better Roads, City Leave Behind Guns, Equip-Manager and Enlarging State School

COMMITTEE TO BE HEARD MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

Men Who Have Been Considering Five - County Fair to Make Report Expected to Be Favorable for the Project

Four important matters will be discussed by the Chamber of Commerce at its regular meeting Thursday night, President J. H. Canady announced today. The meeting is ex pected to have a full attendance, hav ing been postponed from Tuesday night for the accommodation of members who were out of the city and will return during the next twenty-four

The proposed five-county fair will be discussed and the committee appointed to investigate its feasibility will make its report. The committee is comprised by Messrs. J. F. Taylor, P. S. B. Harper, Dr. J. M. Parrott, N. J. Rouse and F. C. Dunn. They are expected to make a favorable report, and it is not at all unlikely that the Chamber will take definite steps to promulgate the plans advised by them. Good roads will be a matter of

discussion hardly secondary in importance to the fair. County commissioners and others interested in better highways will be welcomed in the meeting and given a voice in the consideration of the subject.

A city manager for Kinston will be another subject the merits and deficiencies of which will be threshed citizens have suggested that it be given a place in the Chamber's program for Thursday night, Mr. Canady says. Members of City Council are invited to join the Chamber in its discussion.

The proposed enlargement of the North Carolina School for the Feeble-Minded near the city, being a matter of more than ordinary local interest, will be considered by *the business men. The Chamber will determine upon what course it should pursue in aiding those behind the movement for an appropriation by the Legislature for the purpose of erecting new buildings and increasing the equipment at the institution.

LABOR DEPARTMENT INTERFERES IN STRIKE

Washington, Jan. 5 .- Federal intervention in the eastern Ohio coal miners strike was ordered today by one alternative, that Baltimore be in- Secretary of Labor Wilson. Daniel J. Keefe, labor expert and former commissioner general of immigration and Hywel Davies, former mediator in the Colorado strike, were des ignated to undertake an amicable ad justment.

It was announced that the two conciliatories would proceed as soon a possible to the eastern Ohio coal banking districts at any time. As fields for consultation with the op-

EVERGLADES PROMOTER TO JAIL FOR TWO YEARS.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan, 5 .- Dr. E C. Chambers, who yesterday was regraphical make-up of the new system fused a new trial on the charge of fraudulent use of the mails, was to day sentenced to two years in prison Everglades.

RALEIGH YOUTH LOST ON BARK WHICH FOUNDERED

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 5 .- From reports mitted their interests to Collector J. yard, the new gravity classification received here Earl Lloyd, twenty-one yard and engine terminal of Southern years old, of Raleigh, was the only member lost of the crew of the Amsent their case to the General Assembly. They ask the repeal of section 9 of the Justice act—the long and short haul clause.

Railway, just north of Birmingnam, member lost of the crew of the American hack Pilgrim, formerly the containing 30 miles of track with a criman hack Pilgrim, formerly the containing 30 miles of track with a criman hack Pilgrim, formerly the capacity of 2,000 cars, has just been British bark Gale, which foundered in mid-Atlantic December 15.

SHAMEFUL RETREAT \$42,000 BUILDING IMPORTANT TOPICS FROM THE CAUCASUS

ment and Standards of Their Regiments

Russians Capture Corps Commander and Fifty Thousand Men-Englishmen Dying From Rheumatism and Pneumonia

(By the United Press)

Petrograd, Jan. 6 .- The entire Turkish campaign in the Caucasus has failed. The Turkish army is in disgraceful retreat, abandoning their equipment, guns, ammunition, and in a number of instances their regimental colors. The Russians have already captured fifty thousand prisoners. Iskhana Pasha, the commander, and entire ninth corps are prisoners. The Russian advance in Hungary is practically unopposed. In Poland and western Galicia there is practically no change in the situa-

French Attack St. Mihiel.

Paris, Jan. 6 .- The French on the east front are endeavoring to retake St. Mihiel, the only point where the Germans have crossed the Meuse. Hundreds are dying of pneumonia and rheumatism, mostly English. The French advance is steady in Alsace.

Germans Claim Advance.

Berlin, Jan. 6 .- It is officially announced that the Germans are gaining ground in Alsace. The Germans wid reinforce the Austrians in front of Cracow. Reports from Constantinople say the Allied fleet has again out at the meeting. Since the city been driven from positions in front authorities have taken the initiative of the Dardanelles forts. A torpedo in bringing it up, numerous leading badly damaged one vessel and the entire fleet was forced to withdraw be-

Germans Attack in Hard Rain

Paris, Jan. 6.-The Germans, despite torrential rains, essayed two attacks today to attempt to re-take St. George's. They were driven back with heavy losses. The Germans in the region of the Aisne and around Rheims were forced back 100 yards northwest of Rheims and near Courtechausse, the French dynamited and demolished 800 yards of the Germans' trenches, capturing half of the trenches.

Germans Advance Beyond Vistula.

Berlin, Jan. 6 .- The French heavy guns are bringing destruction to villages behind the German lines. Near. Housin, in the Argonne region, the Germans have captured several trenches, two officers and 200 other prisoners. On the eastern front the Germans have penetrated past the Vistula as far as the Sucho branch, capturing several Russian positions, 1,400 prisoners and nine machine

DUPONT POWDER MILL BLOWN UP

(By the United Press)

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 6 .- The large mill of the DuPont Powder Co., at Rockland Yards, exploded today. The mill contained many tons of black powder. A watchman was injured. A whole district in Pennsylvania was rocked as if by an earth-

COAST STEAMER TRANSFERS TO TRANSATLANTIC SERVICE

Wilmington, Jan. 6 .- Significant of the attractiveness of the trans-Atlantic freight rates and the scarcity of neutral vessels to transport American goods to Europe, is the sailing from here yesterday of the American passenger steamer, City of Savannah, with a cargo of 9,529 bales of cotton for Rotterdam. The City of Savannah usually plies between New