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FRANCE FEARS GREAT STRIKE ON RAILROADS

Meeting of Cabinet Held to Deal With the Menacing Situation

CROWDS LEAVING PARIS

Fear That Strike Will Isolate Capital Causes Exodus of Tourists—Strike Leaders Boast That They Have Secured Promises From the Employees of the State Railroads to Strike Tonight—Traffic Between Paris and Calais Stopped—Two Trains Seized and Locomotives Overturned.

(By Cable to The Times.) Paris, Oct. 11—Fearing that the strike on the Great Northern Railroad will spread to state railroads and completely paralyze traffic all over France, a meeting of the cabinet was called today to deal with the situation.

Strike leaders openly boasted today that they had secured promises from the employees of the state railroads to strike tonight. If this consummation is brought about all means of passenger and freight rail traffic through all France will be tied up.

Traffic between Paris and Calais was stopped this morning and word from the provinces stated that the trouble was spreading. In some quarters, automobiles were pressed into service.

Paris is crowded with foreign tourists. A great exodus started today in fear that this city would be isolated for an indefinite period.

With soldiers guarding the depots along the Great Northern Railroad against possible attacks by striking employees the government today instituted an automobile express for the carrying of mails. The entire system of train service was paralyzed. The men preserved the strictest secrecy concerning their plans.

The trainmen declared that they would not be intimidated by the government's messages and it was reported that emissaries of the Great Northern were working to spread the strike to the state railroads. Two thousand of the 45,000 employees of the road were idle at daybreak today when it was said that an order had been issued setting a definite future time for the remainder of the workmen to quit.

At Tergnier strikers seized two trains, overturning the locomotives and completely obstructing traffic. All telephone and telegraph lines have been cut in some quarters so that definite information from those sections is meagre.

At the extraordinary meeting of (Continued On Page Five.)

TRIAL OF NEGRO HELD UNDER GUARD

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Fayetteville, W. Va., Oct. 11—Three companies of the national guard with a loaded machine gun, under the command of Adjutant General Charles D. Elliott were drawn up around the court house here today before the trial of Thomas Raymond, a negro, charged with criminally attacking and murdering Mrs. John Alliff, was started. Hundreds of mountaineers and residents of the interior part of the county crowded into town today. All are armed and a feeling of bitter enmity towards the soldiers is manifested. Raymond had a narrow escape from summary execution while being brought here for trial. He was guarded by soldiers but a mob held up the train and a pitched battle ensued in which many shots were fired. The mob were beaten back and the train proceeded slowly for fear that obstructions had been placed upon the track to wreck it.

Lone Bandit Robs Saloon. Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 11—A lone bandit held up a saloon, backed out with \$75, then robbed a man with whom he collided, and made his escape in the space of three minutes early today.

TOWNS WIPED OUT One Thousand People Lose Life In Fire

Seven Thousand Square Miles of Territory Burned Over—Several Thousand People Are Missing.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 11—Seven thousand square miles of territory in northern Minnesota and southern Ontario were a smoking funeral pyre today. Through the night the fire raged driven before a relentless wind and today found the toll of disaster reaching up to appalling totals. An area containing more than 15,000 residents had been devastated. More than 1,000 are believed to be dead and from 2,500 to 4,000 others are missing. Twelve towns and villages had been wiped out. Eight thousand men, women and children were homeless. The property loss was estimated at over \$100,000,000 and there was no sign of the fire's abatement. Unendurable suffering befell the people; panic reigned and in the communities of Rainy River and International Falls refugees, huddled and desperate by the terrible situation, gave way to violence. On Canadian side the northwestern mounted police patrolled the stricken area with orders to shoot all looters on sight; on the American side a regiment of Minnesota national guard was split up in detachments for police duty. The guardsmen were instructed only to make arrests and assist in the relief work.

The meagre details which came out of the living inferno brought nothing but stories of death, disaster and suffering. Stories of human suffering were beyond conception. Men and women refugees who had fled to this city, to Rainy River, to Warroad or International Falls were nearly insane from fears and the ghastly sights they had witnessed.

Dead bodies strewn every road and railway line. The creeks and rivers are full of floating corpses. Near the site of the burned town of Baudette more than one hundred charred and blackened bodies were laid out in the temporary morgue today.

Settlers who escaped passage through the greatest danger. Some had their clothing completely burned off. Others were nearly paralyzed by standing neck deep in small rivers and creeks. Many who were not killed outright were burned so badly that they will die.

Only a good soaking rain can check the wall of fire, it was said today. The treacherous wind was an element which caused much fear. At times the wind blew steadily in one direction until the flames would surround a community; then it would veer off and the fire would leap out in some new direction. A mighty curtain of smoke cloaked the sky. Live embers were carried by the winds and started new fires.

Nearly a dozen communities were menaced early today by the fire which had eaten a new swath throughout the night. The communities utterly destroyed are Beaudette, Spooner, Roosevelt, Longworth, Zippie, Solal, Crater Spur, Engle, Gravel Pit, Graceton, Pitt and Swift.

Communities menaced: Stratton and Fort Francis.

Partly burned: International Falls, Rainy River, Warroad, Pinewood, Sprague and Rainy River.

It was feared for a time that the fire would sweep Winnipeg. A wall of flame was borne in this direction by the wind, eating its way with incredible swiftness across the prairie but was checked in time by the wind.

Governor Eberhardt and Adjutant Wood of Minnesota have gone into the fire zone of that state upon a special train to see what relief measures the state should take. Red Cross nurses have been sent into the stricken territory and temporary hospitals and morgues have been erected.

Three carloads of tents, tools and food have been sent into the fire zone. Another special train sent out today from St. Paul, carried food and clothing. Train loads of refugees have been taken to Rainy River, Fort Francis, Warroad and International Falls. Practically all were driven from their homes without being able to save a thing. All were content to get off with their lives. Many of them were severely burned; others were more than half naked. All told marvellous stories of death in its most cruel form of suffering and miraculous escape. They said that droves of wild animals were driven from the forests and sought the settled districts where they mingled with the domestic animals.

Lumber men from the north, driven from their camps by the encroachment of the fire, took refuge in the settlements. The authorities said it was mainly these men who had broken into saloons when panic was at its height and became drunk.

Telegraph and telephone lines have fallen and sections of railroads are wiped out. The Canadian, the Canadian Pacific and the Great Northern today sent many relief trains.

Practically every living animal has been killed. The bodies of cattle, horses, dogs, cats and even wild animals litter the trails and open spaces where they had run for safety. Domestic animals mixed with the denizens of the forest in their wild dash for safety. In Spooner a horse dashed to a light wagon was tied to a (Continued On Page Five.)



William A. Huppuch of Hudson Falls, N. Y., who was recently elected chairman of the New York Democratic state committee, to succeed John A. Dix, nominated for governor. Huppuch is an up-state business man, with many connections in the Mohawk Valley, and in the upper tier of counties. He has been associated with John A. Dix for many years, and for several years was secretary of the state committee.

FARMS AND FARM LABOR Important Report by Commissioner of Labor and Printing

A Wholesome Advance in Farming—Every County in the State Reports Increased Cost of Living—Increase in Wages.

The following summary of the portion of the annual report by the Bureau of Labor and Printing, dealing with farms and farm labor, will be read with interest by all:

Reports from the various counties indicate a wholesome advance in farming. Particular attention is being paid to seed selection and preparation of soil, and the study given these subjects cannot but result in much benefit.

Drainage of heavy and swamp lands, and measures for the prevention of erosion are also being undertaken. The advantages of these have been shown by the work already accomplished, and it is to be hoped that the movement toward these ends will be much forwarded by the results already attained.

The North Carolina geological and economic survey is contributing valuable instruction in the way of proven methods along these lines. With constantly increasing values it behooves the land owners of the state to see to it that no gullies and washouts are permitted on their properties, and the incentive for reclamation of swamp lands cannot fall to (Continued On Page Seven.)

PROMINENT WOMAN OF CHARLOTTE DEAD

(Special to The Times.) Charlotte, Oct. 11—Mrs. Harriett Nisbet Latta, before her marriage Miss Harriett Nisbet, of Macon, Ga., died last night at the home of her husband, Mr. E. D. Latta, president of the Four C's Company, following a seven weeks illness with typhoid fever. Mrs. Latta was born in Macon in 1833, being 77 years of age. She is survived by a husband, and three children, Messrs Nisbet Latta, of San Francisco, E. D. Latta, Jr., of Charlotte, and Miss Acton Latta, of Charlotte.

Mrs. Latta was one of the most cultured women of the state and was a member of a number of patriotic and women's societies, and had been honored with offices in these on more than one occasion. The funeral takes place tomorrow from the palatial residence in Dilworth, Charlotte's aristocratic suburb, which together with its streets, was named by Mrs. Latta some 18 years ago when her husband, Mr. E. D. Latta began the development of that section, with his associates, expending thousands of dollars in the undertaking.

THE SUPREME COURT HAS A FULL DOCKET

Attorney General Wickersham Asks Reassignment of Tobacco and Oil Cases

OTHER CASES REASSIGNED

With Only Seven Justices on the Bench, High Tribunal Begins Its Fall Term—Docket a Long and Varied One—Presence of Justice Hughes Adds to the Interest of the Day's Proceeding—Government Asks For Reassignment of Several Cases.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Oct. 11—The supreme court of the United States met at noon today, after adjourning yesterday after being in session just long enough for Associate Justice Hughes to take the oath of office and for Acting Chief Justice Harlan to pay a tribute to the memory of the late Chief Justice Fuller.

With only seven justices on the bench this high tribunal today commenced in earnest its fall term, the first term of a season, which promises to be one of the busiest and most important in the history of the court. The docket, which was read after members of the bar, who had made application to practice before the court had been sworn in, was a long and varied one. It contained forty-two cases, thirty-five of which the United States government is either directly or indirectly interested, and in which department of justice officials will take some part in their argument.

The presence of Associate Justice Hughes on the bench added much to the interests of the proceedings today. He has been given the seat on the extreme left of the bench formerly occupied by Associate Justice Lurton.

Following the opening formalities Attorney General Wickersham asked for the reassignment of the case against the American Tobacco Company, known as the Tobacco trust, and that of the Standard Oil Company, both of which were set for November 14. Also for a number of other cases on the docket for today. The attorney general explained that the various necessities had arisen to cause a request for postponement of the hearings, particularly the absence of a full bench.

The three employers' liability cases in which the government is interested were reassigned for hearing in January.

The corporation tax cases were also set for hearing in January. The reassignment was also requested (Continued From Page Six.)



General Weyler, "the butcher," the name which he earned by his cruelties in Cuba, who King Alfonso, of Spain, deposed upon to strangle with his iron hand any attempt at revolution in Spain. Grave fears for a civil outbreak is felt in Spain, not only because of the successful uprising in Portugal but on account of the fact that the 13th of this month is the anniversary of the execution of Prof. Ferrer, who was universally beloved by the people as a republican and advocate of civil liberty. He was executed as an inciter of anarchy, following the Barcelona riots of a year ago. The putting of General Weyler in jail charge of military preparations is another firebrand thrown among the people, who regard Weyler as a merciless tyrant.

SPAIN ARMED CAMP King Looks Upon Rebellion As Immediate Menace

For the Time at Least the King Has Withdrawn From Determination to Take the Field in Person.

(By Cable to The Times.)

Madrid, Oct. 11—Spain is an armed camp today in its northern district around Barcelona and Valencia and along the Portuguese frontier. From the stern measures taken by the government it is evident that the king Alfonso and his advisers look upon rebellion as an immediate menace.

For the time being at least, the king has withdrawn from his determination to take the field in person and head his army in military operations. Practically entire charge of the drastic steps against revolt are in the hands of General Weyler, "the butcher of Cuba."

The strike of the miners is taking on a revolutionary character. Thousands of men swarmed the streets of Barcelona today in open defiance of the municipal guard.

Troops and batteries of artillery are now massed in all the strategic points along the Portuguese frontier, in the Basque province in the north and through the populous districts.

In the face of all these precautions and the old defiance of the anti-monarchists the government today maintained an attitude of confidence. Premier Canalejas, whose powerful influence has practically guided the political policies of Spain, during an audience granted newspaper correspondents today said:

"The Spanish army is loyal to the king and the monarchy; it is ridiculous to (Continued From Page Five.)

TWO ARE PARDONED Lee Aldwell, of Warren and Robt. Shoffner, of Guilford

Two Negroes Pardoned—Caldwell Had Served Over Two of a Six-year Sentence and Shoffner Ten of a Twenty-five Year Sentence.

Governor Kitchin today pardoned Lee Caldwell, of Warren county, and Robert Shoffner, of Guilford county. Lee Caldwell was sentenced to serve six years in the penitentiary at the September term of Warren county court, 1908, for the crime of manslaughter.

Reasons for pardon: "Deceased severely beat prisoner's mother and apparently without just provocation. A few days thereafter prisoner asked deceased about it, and said he was going to beat deceased or deceased beat him. Deceased at once struck prisoner with a hoe. Prisoner wrenched hoe from deceased and struck him with it. Deceased backed and drew his knife and began cutting, cutting prisoner three times, and prisoner ran backwards, until he stumbled and fell in a ditch, drawing his pistol and shooting deceased.

Prisoner lived for six years prior to the killing with a furniture house in Manchester, Va., when, according to many prominent citizens and officials he maintained an excellent character, being regarded by all as honest, industrious, temperate and polite. He has served over two years with a good prison record. The trial judge and solicitor both recommend pardon. Pardoned on condition that he remain law abiding and of good behavior."

Robert Shoffner was sentenced to serve twenty-five years in the penitentiary at the August term of Guilford county court, 1900, for carnally knowing a girl under fourteen years of age.

Reasons for pardon: "Prisoner has now served over ten years. Both parties were negroes of ill repute and low character. Prisoner was charged with a more serious crime but rather than risk his life, though the evidence was not strong and many people believed him innocent and that the charge was the result of a conspiracy, plead guilty.

"The solicitor and judge now think he has been sufficiently punished and recommend pardon. There is no protest. A gentleman entirely disinterested thinking the prisoner was suffering beyond justice, without reward but at his own expense, has looked after his application. Pardoned on condition that he remain law abiding and of good conduct."

CHRISTIAN CHURCH REVIVAL. Rev. M. L. Bryant Preaching—Charles Butler and Wife Singing.

A large congregation assembled at the Hillsboro Street Christian church last night to hear excellent music and good preaching.

Charles Butler and his wife continue to capture the hearts of all lovers of music in the city of Raleigh, who hear them. They are hard workers, and do not seem at all to grow weary of the continued service. They keep cheerful, happy and good-natured for their work. The Lord is blessing their services in the meetings. They will sing tonight and tomorrow night, and will leave for Wilmington, N. C., Thursday to engage in union revival services there.

Rev. M. L. Bryant, of Norfolk, arrived yesterday afternoon and preached for the congregation last night. His subject was, "Cross Bearing Within and Without the Church." Rev. Bryant is an enthusiastic preacher. He believes what he preaches, and labors hard for the conversion of souls. He has had good success in Greensboro, Norfolk and other towns, and will make good in Raleigh.

The meetings will continue through the week, if interest demands it. Services this evening at 7:30. Children's service tomorrow at 4 p. m.

Oscar Straus to Resign.

London, Oct. 11—The report became current here today that Oscar Straus, American ambassador to Turkey, will tender his resignation within a few days. According to this report Mr. Straus believes that developments in Turkish dominions are of such a character that he could better serve his country at home than abroad.

Capt. Wiley Goodwin and Dr. C. G. Upchurch, of Chatham county, are in the city today. Capt. Goodwin reports crops fairly good in Chatham.

TEN BODIES RECOVERED FROM MINE

First Recovery of Bodies From Ill-Fated Mine Was Made This Morning

AFTER DAMP IN MINE

Afterdamp Still Gives Trouble to Rescuers and Several of Them Were Overcome Last Night—Bodies Recovered Were Recognizable and Must Have Died Instantly—Were Turned Over to the Coroner—Not Expected That Any More Bodies Will Be Reached Soon.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Starkville, Col., Oct. 11—Ten bodies of the fifty or more coal miners who were killed in the Starkville mine Saturday night were recovered shortly before 4 o'clock this morning. The bodies were found in chambers 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35 of entry 7. The bodies were recognizable and from the position in which they were found it is supposed they died instantly. The bodies were removed from the chambers in which they were found and taken near the entrance of the new shaft to await the arrival of a deputy coroner, who will take charge of them.

Large quantities of the deadly afterdamp are still being encountered by the rescue gangs and during the night several men were overcome and had to be carried to fresh air. The presence of the afterdamp is delaying the rescue work to a very considerable extent.

President Welborn of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, is skeptical regarding the immediate recovery of more bodies as most of the victims were working on company time doing repair and cleaning up work and were scattered through miles of underground workings. The condition of the interior of the mine is the worst that could be imagined and it will require months to clean out the workings and repair the damage caused by the explosion. The mine is wrecked to the extent of 75 per cent.

DR. CHREITZBURG DEAD. Beloved Pastor of Central Methodist Church at Monroe Passes Away.

(Special to The Times.)

Monroe, N. C., Oct. 11—Rev. Dr. Hilliard F. Chreitzburg, pastor of Central Methodist Episcopal church, died early this morning of typhoid fever, after an illness that began only two weeks ago. The announcement of his death came as a great shock to the community as only favorable reports had been received of his condition right up to last night.

FARMERS OBJECT TO TUBERCULIN TEST

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Oct. 11—Many farmers of Maryland and Virginia will cease shipping milk to Washington rather than submit their cows to the tuberculin test ordered by the health department of the District of Columbia. A pasteurizing plant is already being talked of as a means of preserving milk for shipment to Pennsylvania, New York and elsewhere. Intervention from the state officials of Maryland and Virginia is expected if the health department attempts to enforce its order.

John Thomas, a large milk shipper of Ednor, Md., said:

"The health department should investigate the outcome of a similar campaign in New Hampshire before it tries to enforce this rule in southern states."

"The health authorities of that state attempted to pass a similar order and the results were so disastrous that the governor of the state ordered it suspended. The citizens of that state actually suffered from a milk famine and the repeal of the regulation was the only course by which the supply could be augmented.

GREAT STATE FAIR and Home Coming Jubilee OCTOBER 17-22, RALEIGH, N. C.

will be the greatest crowds in Raleigh's history. More people will be here than in Roosevelt year. Thousands of Home-comers from all sections of the country. Special rates. Wonderful attractions. Don't miss it.

CHARLOTTE HAS 34,014 POPULATION

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Oct. 11—The census bureau today made public the following returns: North Carolina—Charlotte 34,014; last census 18,991; increase 88.9. Kentucky—Louisville, 223,928; last census 204,731; increase 9.4. Lexington 35,099; last census 26,369; increase 33.1. Louisiana—Shreveport 28,015; last census 16,013; increase 75.0.

Duel in Streets. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Meridian, Miss., Oct. 11.—Fred Hall was shot dead and Policeman Culppeper was mortally wounded in a pistol duel, fought in the street here early today. Culppeper fired six shots into the body of his antagonist. The officer was trying to arrest Hall when the shooting started.

Service For Children. Mr. Charles Butler will conduct a song and praise service for the children of the city of Raleigh tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Christian church.