THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

HON. EDWARD CLARK, MAYOR OF NEW BERN.

I WISH TO EXPRESS THROUGH YOU MY GREAT SYMPATHY FOR THE CITIZENS OF NEW BERN IN THE DISTRESSING CALAMITY THAT HAS BEFALLEN THEM. SINCERE HOPES THAT THEIR MISFORTUNES MAY BE ALLEVIATED IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY AND THAT EARLY AND COMPLETE RECOVERY MAY FOLLOW.

WARREN G. HARDING.



More wome are needed to carry on he relief work. Those who can serve in any capacity whatsoever are urged to give their names to Mrs. Whitford or Mrs. Marriner as soon as possible

Fire Notes

The remains of six liquor stills were observed in the runs yesterday. They are no longer fit for use, so no one has attempted to remove them.

Carter Taylor, chief of the Field Division of the Red Cross, is now in charge of the relief work here. . A medical officer and two assistants arrived here this morning from Camp Bragg to help solve the city's sanitary problem.

Magnitude of Disaster Captain Willis has received orders to muster in the local unit of the National Guard and use them wherover and whenever required.

Servants who quit their jobs and try to pass themselves off as victims of fire, will be black-listed, making it impossible for them to ever hold another position in Ne wBern. The

same policy will be adopted toward It Will- Take Huge A other persons with similar ideas in heir minds.

"No idleness," is the slogan in conection with relief work. There-is work for everybody to do. C. C. Kirkpatrick has been placed in charge of the Labor Department. He has for gotten that such an animal as the boll weevil ever existed.

The fire had no respect for the resting place of the dead. Scores of monuments in Cedar Grove today are cracked and begrimed where flames leaped from houses across George street and sought to continue theirjourney of destruction.

Six thousand meals were served Sunday at the West Street Graded School.

Thirty tents have been erected. There are plenty of cots and mattresses here. Up until last night none of the cots had been occupied.

There evidently had been consider-

able ammunition in some of the Although practically every citizen houses which were destroyed, for of New Bern is lengaged in doing there were times during the progress everything possible for the arelief of of the fire, when a veritable fussilade the fire victims, two cases of unbe- of cartridges exploded. Nevab'e mercenary motives were re-

A check for \$50 was received this morning from A. B. Andrews, promported to the Sun-Journal this morning. With the It is reported that one landlord re- inent attorney of Taleigh.

p. m. daily.

these articles:

Army!

fire.

Is Just Beginning To Be Realized Here And Elsewhere. FUNDS ARE NEEDED

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The situation resulting to Friday's great five, and briefly summarized as follow Last night passed without disorders excepting for our o of draphenness and one case on our out saulty, . 14 Members of the local field ar-tillery unit, soldlers from Latap Bragg and others did patrol duty in all sections of the city throughout the night.

The work of feeding the color-ed pepole at the West surfect Graded School continues without any cessation. Approximately 200 slep in the school building last night,

General Van B. Motta state ad-jutant general arrived in the city this morning to, view the latal situation. 1500 sweaters and 1000 place of ocks are on the way from cross headquarters in Atlant

1000 blankets: and resses have arrived free coast grand station at S Au accurate list, court

J. E. Willis, shows that 55 families are homeless. The

A medical officer with two as-sistants have arrived from Camp Bragg to take charge of the san-itary situation. Miss McNeill, of the American Heil Cross, edso

arrived this morning.

For the first time since the disas-ter, New Bern today is giving actual

serious consideration to the problems

which must be overcome. It is now realized that the temporary bousing

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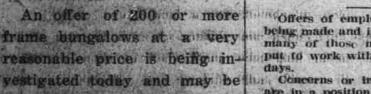
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capled 84 dwellin operated by whites, also troyed in addition to a



Offers of employment are now being made and it is believed that many of those now idle will be put to work within the next few . Concerns or individuals which

Local Business Men Are Urg-

ed To Come Forward And

Help the Fire Victims

are in a position to employ men ccepted by the relief com- or women are requested to comat once, There are hundreds of ersons out of employment and is essential that work be found them at once. Attention is called to the folwing positions which are open todays The New Bern Tobacco Comany announces that it wants 00 women at once tor stem to-Fred Brun has employment for 75 women, who are wanted to transplant cabbage plants. It is hoped that other concerns, needing employees, will make their requests known, The Sun-Journal will be glad to give full publicity to their announcements without charge.

STATEMENT IS ISSUED **BYMAYORCLARKTODAY**

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND OTHER STATES:

With more than one thousand homes destroyed, three thousand persons homeless and hundreds without employment or any means of obtaining an income, cur city today is struggling under a burden which is all but cverwhelming.

Local pride and a reluctance to call for aid, at first prompted us to confine our pleas for assistance to those people of New Bern who had escaped disaster. Now, however, we realize that New Bern cannot stand alone in her efforts to care for the distressed.



Motives on Part of Land-

lord Reported Today

mittee here John Rhoades, in response to a telegram received here this morning, leaves here tonight for Wilmington Det 学t fully investigate the offers which was contained in a telegram, reading as follows: Chamber of Commerce, New Bern, N. C.

John Rhoades Leaves

ARE PRICED LOW

Company Is Ready To

Ship At Once. Cost Is

\$225 For Each of

Delaware.

Houses.

Tonight To Investi-

gate Buildings In

Sorry for your great. loss. If you can use six-room frame bungalows we are in a position to begin shipment a once of two hundred or more. Will cost you \$225 each, loaded on cars, Pennsgrove, N. J. Were used by Dupont Company and are good homes. We cut in sections and it is possi ble to re-crect in four days. If interested, wire at our expense.

DELAWARE SALES CO.

that if the houses are thing like represented, the city will do well in purchas, ing them.

WILL GIVE AID Mr. T. G. Hyman,

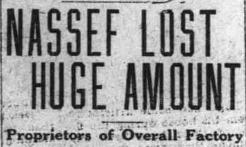
New Bern, N. C. Am appalled and distressed at the terrible conflagration that visited your city yesterday, Would he glad to make contribution to sufferers if accepting outside aid. Nathan O'Berry, Goldsboro, N. C.

Mrs. Edmund Alexander left on the morning train for Wilmington. where he will remain for several days siness, connected with the Pac-Mutual Life Insurance Co., of which he is district manager.

Ask Postponement Of The Championship Game

Last week, while the fire raged in lieve the distress of the fire victims. New Bern, the High School team Needless to say, the thought of football is far from the minds of any of from this city was engaged in play- New Bern's population, players ining football at Raleigh. cluded.

This week, some of the players are Because of this fact, local school doing guard duty as members of the authorities have wired Asheville asklocal battery unit while others are ing for a postponement of the game engaged in relief work. They have They have explained to the Ashebeen forced to remain awake dur- ville authorities the situation which ing all hours of the night. The has arisen in New Bern and they beconches of the team also have been lieve that a postponement until next doing their part in helping to Fe- week can be arranged.



Were One of the Heaviest Losers In the Fire

Among the heaviest losers of Friday's fire was the Nassef Manufac

turing Company. Joseph Nassef stated this morning that the machinery and stock in the The local committee feels overall factory was worth approximatley \$65,000 and, that the brick building itself was worth \$25,000. making a total loss of \$90,000. Insurance amounting to \$8000 was carried. Mr. Nassef stated this morning that he intended rebuilding his factory at once and also erect a row of brick stores on Pasteur street, greatly improving the appearance of that place. He already has received an of-'er from another town to locate his factory there, but has refused to consider it.

In addition to the brick factory, Mr Nassef also lost several frame buildngs.

NOTICE TO THE COLORED All colored people desiring relief rom the New Bern Relief Committee will please report their names to their pastor or some colored lawyer or doctor at once, with proof of their right to receive the same.

W. N. Lawrence, Secretary. R. I. Johnson, chairman.

Therefore, if there are communities, organizations or individuals who desire to help us in this, our hour of need, I wish to assure them on behalf of our people that their assistance will not only be deeply appreciated but that it will be the means of alleviating much distress and suffering. I respectfully ask the various newspapers to give publicity to this statement. EDWARD CLARK,

Mayor of New Bern.

Ten Thousand Visitors Were Here Sunday To Inspect Ruins

More than ten thousand visitors wholesale destruction, they neverthefrom all sections of North Carolina less stood aghast as the magnitude of the disaster unfolded itself before were in New Bern yesterday to see their eyes. Every section of the for themselves the destruction which city's devastated area was visited. Those of New Bern residents who had been wrought by Friday's fire. They came in trains and in automo- are in the habit of eating in restaubiles and formed the greatest crowd rants, found themselves greeted by List Has Been Compiled of of out-of-town persons that ever locked doors late yesterday evening had visited New Bern in one day's when they tried to get their evening

meals. Seeking an explanation they time. Immediately upon arriving, the were informed that the visitors had visitors made their way to the scene eaten up all the food that was carried of desolation. Prepared to some ex- in stock. Many had to go to bed last tent by newspaper reports as to the night hungry.

RED CROSS IS UISCHAHGE MEN

Reported That Some of Battery Members Threatened With Loss of Jobs

Captain Albert Willis reports that Florence Oldfield. there are employers of men belong-The Southern Division of the Red ing to the local field battery unit Cross, acting under instructions of who have discharged those men be-

gaged in meeting the situation at New and alding in relief work. Bern, N. C., where a \$2,000,000 fire It is also stated that others of the rendered some 3,000 persons home-

Carter Taylor, Red Cross field their ordinary business duties. It is urgently requested that busilirector at Camp Bragg, N. C., is in charge at New Bern and has distrib- ness men who are employers uted a large quantity of clothing, guardsmen, permit those men dispatches from Southern division help in carrying the relief work. proof can be furnished of any headquarters state. The commanding officer at the stance where a man discharged an-

Hampton Roads Naval Station has other for doing relief work the Sunbeen authorized to furnish supplies Journal would be glad to learn the of bedding. Mr. Taylor reported the names of the persons involved. situation at New Bern improving but

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 2 .- Advices

urged prompt assignment of Red MANY PEOPLE ARE Cross nurses for relief work.

READY TO SERVE

Southern Division of Organiza-

tion Helping Out Wonder-

fully at New Bern

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4 .--

Mayor of New Bern. I desire through you to express to your stricken community my most profound sympathy. Wish it were within my power to serve you.

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Julian S. Carr.

fused to rent a vacant house to at the colored family because the family General Van B. Metts, adjutant was unable to pay the rent in ad general, arrived in New Bern this Another instance is reported in He stated that the resources of his

which a colored family proceeded to department were open to New Bern's take postession of a vacant three. room house. The owner, it is stated, ordered the family to move out inc mediately because the rent could not

be paid. The Sun-Journal does not know whether the above incidents, are authentic or not. However, upon the suggestion of the relief committee, it wishes to announce that wheneve

any person or persons has proof." such incidents as the above and when they are reported to either the refund. lief committee or the paper, not the slightest hesitency will be employed

in making public the names of the

.Some of Those Who Lost. . Home in Friday's Fire .

Friday is a list of the white families that were burned out in Friday's

Starting at 88 Metcalf street: Mrs Fanny Dixon, R. C. Godwin, Mrs. Huggins, Mrs. George Howard. George street, starting north-east

ide-Horace Clark, A. B. Davis, J. Southarage, Kilburn; Jarvis, the bar ber, Mrs. Lamb, Daniels and Caton. Across Queen: Thomas Gaskill and

son, D. Forest, M. W. Wayne. Pine street, north of George, Leon Dawson, Pulaski Cahoon.

Pine and George: R. M. Wayne and ons, W. Milton, Mary Clark. Stewart building on George; Geo

Presbyterians the use of their Sun-Trippett, Bert Tippett, Duff Harris, day School room for their worship. Dave Cahoon, Ben Cahoon, Mra It will be recalled that Ebenezer Pres-Eva Burns, Mrs. Agnes Gurkins, Miss byterian church on Pasteur street was totally destroyed by fire in the great

Frame building next to Stewart conflagation of last Friday. uilding, James Vinson and son, Mrs. Dolly Cannon, John Pittman, James

coffee for this territory have received mond donating 500 pounds of their

cept by Merritt and Caton. Pasteur street, starting at

Duke house: John Duke lost furni-

living in one house who are unknown, Archie Brinkley, James Whitley, B. R. Wiley, Archie Ed-

wards, Ray Hill, Clay Willis and

Santa Fe railroad tonight said that half a dozen or more families who train wreck occurred at Jastro in lost their homes. which many people were killed. Trains A whole lot of attention is being

in the wreck were said to have enpaid to coal for a matter that is tirely turned over. A special train was sent to the scene, neither here nor there.

command. Cove City people have a solid freight-car load of clothing and supplies which they are sending here today. This is a most splendid work for a community of that 'size. Needless to say, New

Bern is appreciative. Senator Simmons contributed hi personal check for \$100 to the relief

and feeding of the fire victime pros-ents a small phase of the signifian S (*), and that the tellef work must be car-J. D. Hinton, of Camp Brag, is here ried on in a far more estensive man-and is securing recruits for army sei-vice. White men between the ages home in the minds of these on charge of 18 and 35 will be accepted. Those of affairs, they now are torced to ad-interested are requested to see him at mit that New Bern, of her own ac-

Thank God for the Salvation

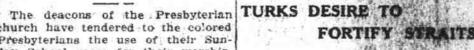
the postoffice between 8 a. m. and 4 cord, cannot bear the culire burden and that help must be ashed from neighboring towns and ettics. / W. N. Pugh had some articles re-

"Gentlemen," said a local / busines moved from his house during the fire man in a committee meeting this and some of these have been mis- morning. "I know that all of up hate placed. Among them were an enlarg- to put up a ples for assistance. At ed picture of Mr. Pugh's father, Gen- first we discouraged outside aid, for eral Lee's farewell address, framed. we were determined to do our utmost detachments, 119th infantry, framed. to solve the situation by ourseives. Mr. Pugh would appreciate informat. That was before we had taken full tion relative to the whereabouts of cognizance of the situation. Today, nowever, we feel that we comput any longer permit our pride to stand in

Miss McNelil, of the field depart-ment of the Red Cross, arrived in the would cause much more suffering and city this morning to aid in relief distress. We must swallow our pride work. Her assistance is going to be and send out a call for us of much benefit locally.

Other towns, according to into ion received by the Sun-Journal this morning, are now busily ungaged in raising relief funds and it is expected that thousands of dollars will no As soon as the weather permits, to the city withins the next for days.

Carter Talyor announced that some, Everywhere committees are being orof the negroes, now idle, would be ganized. Such a spirit on such a scale employed in tearing down the chim- never before has been man neys and clearing up the ruins of the this section of the state,



LAUSSANE, Dec. 4. The closing of the Dardanelles to all warship except those of Turkey and giving Turkey the right is fortily the straits were advocated by Foreign Minister Pchigcherin of Russia at foday's

meeting of the Laussane conference called to discuss the question of the straits. Ismit Pasha, leading Turkish dele-

gate, asked for absolute Turkish trol of the straits without fiemilitarization. The preliminary discussion of the

juestion by representatives! of the Great Power had not been completed when the meeting was adjourned.

JOHN WANAMKER IS **REPORTED UNCHANGED**

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. +-The ondition of John Wanamaker, who eral weeks with a severe could was reported as "about the same as last evening" by his physicians this morning.

"I can't imagine ho wyou get sa much money out of your hulls

at the West street graded school Upper corner of cemetery: Stores building as a part of the meals that are being served. John D. Pender & Company sent a check ture, Davis Lee, Madison Rowe and for \$100 for New Bern relief work toson, Dill warehouse, two families day. Through their local representative, L C. Lawrence, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company has sent a check of \$300 for those of their ploicy holders who were rendered homeless. Being a mutual concern, this was the The above list by no means is only form in which the donation could has been ill at his home here for set-

KILLED IN WRECK family, Willie Higgins. Off Queen street: Sadie Rice, Tom Gautier, John Pollock, Daisy gray. received at the local office of the complete and there probably are be made.

The information booth on Pasteur street is located at Dukes' store.

A truck load of potatoes, collected (Continued on page six)

