

## Brig.-Gen. Sawyer Is Charged With Standing In Way Of Proper Care For Wounded Veterans

### Colonel A. A. Sprague, Of the American Legion, Accuses President's Physician Of Blocking Work For Wounded Soldiers In Hospitals—Tells Him To Stand Aside.

CHICAGO, July 25.—(By The Associated Press)—Colonel A. A. Sprague, chairman of the American Legion's national rehabilitation committee in a letter to Brigadier General Charles A. Sawyer, personal physician to President Harding and chief co-ordinator of the federal board of hospitalization, made public today charges that General Sawyer is standing in the way of proper care for wounded and shell-shocked veterans and holding up hospital plans voted by congress.

Appealing to General Sawyer to stand aside, Colonel Sprague said that more than 4,500 mental cases are still confined in contract institutions and that of the remaining 4,715 victims of mental disorders only 3,500 are in government institutions devoted entirely to their care.

Quoting from a letter received from General Sawyer, in which the chief co-ordinator said, "I am convinced that the peak of hospitalization has been passed, and that the government has sufficient beds, except in two districts, Colonel Sprague replied:

"It is almost unbelievable that, having convinced congress that these hospitals are needed and that they should be built to capacity that we now have to reply to your statement that they are unnecessary.

"Four years have already passed and the veterans have not yet been provided for. A belated program is now being held up and changed. It is being changed to meet your approval.

"I appeal to you, sir, stand aside and allow this program of the veterans bureau go into effect and at once."

The Sprague letter follows one written by the general July 12, to Colonel Sprague dealing with the legion's demand for hospital care of the blinded under the Langley appropriation bill.

Replying to charges that he was "penurious and mercenary," General Sawyer said:

"God forbid that a dollar should ever be considered in comparison with the results we are seeking for the world war veterans, but at the same time, let me say that it is our duty to oppose wastefulness and senseless expenditure wherever it is found to do.

"Because we have money is no reason why we should waste it. Because the Langley bill has given us the millions of dollars, not nominally, thank Heaven, to use, let us be careful in the disposition of it."

## LEGION BOYS PLANNING TO GO TO NEW ORLEANS

### American Legion National Convention Will Meet In New Orleans—Cost For Entire Trip Only \$50.

Members of the Gastonia Post, No. 23, American Legion, are planning to attend the State Convention in Greensboro in September and the National Convention in New Orleans in October. The price of the New Orleans trip is only \$50. The following letter to Post Commander Williams from Adjutant Alexander, of the Charlotte post, is self-explanatory:

Mr. D. H. Williams, Post Commander, Gastonia, N. C.

Dear Sir:

Certainly glad to know that the boys of your post are getting up interest in regard to the New Orleans trip.

Reg to advise that I have placed an order with the Southern Railway for one special train from Charlotte to New Orleans and return to Charlotte, consisting of standard steel Pullman cars.

This train will leave Charlotte Sunday morning October 16th and return to Charlotte Sunday morning October 22nd.

We will use the sleeping cars for our quarters during the entire trip and they will be parked near the uptown district in New Orleans.

The price for this trip, including railroad fare and berth (excluding meals), will be \$50.00.

There will be no difference in the price of upper and lower berths. I am filling a car as the application comes in, and when one car is full, I begin on the second car, and at the present time I have one and one-half cars spoken for. There will only be twenty-five people to a car and only one person in a berth.

Will certainly be glad to have as many of your members as can do so join with us in filling this train, which will make the American Legion members of this section have a grand and glorious trip to the famous French City in the U. S.

Two cars will be reserved for members who desire to take their wives and any members of the family. The remainder of the train will be all single again.

With best wishes,  
Yours Very Truly,  
THOS. L. ALEXANDER

## MAJOR BLAKE'S PLANE CRASHED TO GROUND

(By The Associated Press.)

LONDON, July 25.—(By The Associated Press)—The airplane in which Major W. T. Blake, the British aviator is attempting a round the world flight from England, crashed to the ground at Sibi, British Beluistan, near Quetta, Saturday, says an Exchange Telegram dispatch from Karachi today. The aviator escaped uninjured, but the undercarriage of his plane was smashed.

## Elks' New National Headquarters



This exclusive picture shows how the Elks' National Memorial Headquarters building in Chicago will look when completed at a cost of \$5,000,000.

## Railroad, Coal And Textile Strikes Have Put Business On Blink, Says Employer's Report

NEW YORK, July 25.—A pessimistic picture of business conditions resulting from railroad, coal and textile strikes is painted with figures included in the weekly review of industrial conditions made public by the national industrial conference board, an employers' organization.

"A depressing effect on business generally is evident," the review said. "Altogether over 2,000,000 persons are voluntarily idle through strikes, and since the beginning of July, 100,000,000 man-hours of work have been lost each week. With the average wage of labor taken at 50 cents an hour, the wage loss alone since the first of the month has been in excess of \$150,000,000 and is proceeding at the rate of over \$8,000,000 a day. This, in effect, means a serious contraction in purchasing power which in turn may have its effect on future employment and general business conditions."

The conference board reports a slight increase in the cost of living since May 15, with a 24 per cent recession from the peak reached in July, 1920.

## FEDERAL CONTROL COAL SUPPLY BEGINS AT ONCE

### Secretary Hoover Says It Will Function Within 48 Hours.

### TO BE NO MORE TRIFLING

### Government Has Exhausted Every Means To End The Strike.

### PROHIBITION IS BIG ISSUE IN NEW JERSEY STATEWIDE PRIMARY

### Contest For U. S. Senator On Republican Side and Governor On Democratic.

### GOV. EDWARDS IS "WET"

### Senator Frelinghuysen Declares People of New Jersey Want Prohibition.

### YOUNG MEN LEAVE FOR CAMP WEDNESDAY

### About Twenty Local Youth Will Go To Camp McPherson For Training—Will Be Gone A Month.

### BORAH RECOMMENDS FEDERAL COAL COMMISSION

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## RAIL STRIKE COMBINED WITH THE COAL STRIKE MAY CAUSE WAR TIME FUEL AND FOOD RESTRICTIONS

### THE GOVERNOR TELLS BARRETT HE DOES NOT DESIRE PUBLIC DEBATE

### Wires Labor Leader That He Never Issued Challenge To Joint Debate.

### IT IS NOT DEBATABLE

### Asks Barrett To Tell Him What It Is He Wants Done.

RALEIGH, July 25.—Governor Morrison today answered Jim Barrett, president of the State Federation of Labor, denying that his excellency ever sought or desired any debate with anybody.

A trifling piece of reporting started the whole business. The governor had been talking in sections, first to one news paper man and then another, in the course of which he referred to the sharp animadversions on him by the Greensboro Daily News and "the veiled attacks" on him by the Raleigh News and Observer.

The whole thing grew out of his telegram to President Harding in which the Daily News attacked his position on industrial disputes and the right of the government to settle them.

The News and Observer wasn't quite so strong in its speech but it displeased the governor. In a desire to justify his position he said he would like "to have a joint debate with somebody who is recognized spokesman for the other view and is a man of sense," but of course the governor left no impression whatsoever on anybody that he would break the immemorial silence that has enveloped the executive office for a year and a half.

He knew that he could not debate with anybody and the slant of Jim Barrett seems to have been altogether the governor's burning desire to fight it out in a hired hall.

Barrett accepts challenge. Accordingly Barrett issued his acceptance of the "challenges" and agreed to debate the question of sending troops. Of course, anybody could see that when the governor sought controversy with "man of sense" and "a recognized spokesman" of the other side, Jim Barrett was the only man who had the right to say, "It's me, it's me, O Lord."

His telegram to Barrett says: "Your wire received. Never made any statement that I wanted to debate with anybody but did say my position forbade my entering into controversy with anybody and therefore I could not debate the matter involved in my telegram to President Harding with Raleigh News and Observer and Greensboro News. The question you refer to is not a debatable question. If the troops are denying you those you represent the right to do anything you want to do please let me know at once what it is and if it is not against the law, I will see that they are required to let you do it."

### SENATOR FRELINGHUYSEN DECLARES PEOPLE OF NEW JERSEY WANT PROHIBITION.

NEWARK, N. J., July 25.—(By The Associated Press)—A contest for the Republican nomination for United States Senator on the Republican side and one for the gubernatorial nomination on the Democratic ticket will feature the statewide primaries to be held in New Jersey Sept. 26. Prohibition has been made one of the principal issues of the senatorial campaign, while the liquor question and public utilities have been injected into the race for the Democratic nomination for governor.

United States Senator Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, seeking re-nomination as a Republican candidate, will be opposed by George L. Record of Jersey City, an attorney. He was defeated for the Republican nomination in 1918 by United States Senator Walter E. Edge and previously defeated for the Republican nomination for governor.

Senator Frelinghuysen in a recent address declared the people of the state have shown that they want prohibition and that there should be no change in the Volstead act on the ground that modification of the act would mean virtual annihilation of the eighteenth amendment.

The Senator also has declared for a protective tariff, but would take the whole matter out of politics by increasing the personnel of the Tariff Commission as provided for in a bill which he introduced in the Senate. He has declared for continued aid for the farmers through the farm loan banks.

Opposing Senator Frelinghuysen in quest of the nomination, Mr. Record declared in a speech that curbing monopolies is the paramount issue and one which should be pressed to a finish. He has refused to permit the liquor question to be made an issue, so far as he is concerned, and while refusing to discuss it in his speeches, has promised to issue a statement on the subject.

Governor Edward I. Edwards is regarded by the Democrats as entitled to the nomination for United States Senator on his record as chief executive of the state, and therefore, he will have no opposition. Governor Edwards' position is well known on the wet side of the prohibition question, the beer bill which he signed having been made one of the bases of a test in the federal courts of the eighteenth amendment.

The candidates for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination are Judge George S. Sizemore of the circuit court and William E. Tuttle, state banking and insurance commissioner. Judge Sizemore, who has the backing of the Democratic state organization, has as yet done no campaigning. Commissioner Tuttle has come out for a modification of the Volstead act and has stated his opposition to appropriations for state prohibition enforcement. On this point he has taken a stand contrary to that of Senator Frelinghuysen, expressing the belief that the people have shown that they do not want prohibition and therefore should not be burdened with a tax for something they

### CULBERSON LOST OUT IN THE TEXAS PRIMARY

### Congressman Blanton Has Lead Of 12,000 Votes Over Opponent—Ku Klux Klan Figures.

DALLAS, Texas, July 25.—Leading Senator Charles A. Culberson by more than 16,000 votes on the face of latest returns from Saturday's democratic primary, James E. Ferguson, former governor, seemed assured of being in the run off August 26, with Earle Mayfield, who now holds first place in the senatorial contest by a margin of nearly 26,000 votes. Mayfield was generally regarded as having the support of the Ku Klux Klan, although he did not make the Klan an issue in his campaign. Ferguson and Culberson opposed the Klan.

Senator Culberson did not come to Texas from Washington to prosecute his campaign for re-election, saying he did not want to leave his senatorial duties. In the event of his elimination from approaching run-off, it would mean his retirement after twenty-four years service in the senate.

Governor Pat M. Neff has been other candidates. Governor Neff nominated for re-election over three ignored the Ku Klux Klan question in his campaign, but was considered to have had the support of the Klan.

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton, who has been a conspicuous figure in the lower house since his election there, has a lead of 12,000 votes over his nearest opponent, and his re-nomination seems assured.

Mrs. Edith Williams, candidate for the state house of representative from the Dallas district, maintained her lead over John E. Davis.

### COTTON MARKET

### CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET

NEW YORK, July 25.—Cotton futures closed firm; spots steady, 20 points up.

July, not quoted; October 21.40; December 21.35; January 21.25; March 21.18; May 21.02; Spots 212.65.

Receipts ..... 125 Bales  
Price ..... 22 1/2 Cents  
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### Cabinet Members Say That Strike Must Be Stopped

WASHINGTON, July 25.—A growing impression that the administration was rapidly approaching a point in its attitude toward the rail strike where a decisive move to arrest the resulting breakdown in transportation might be looked for raised some expectation of important developments at today's cabinet meeting.

President Harding, who was declared by cabinet members prior to the meeting to be in personal charge of the question, is understood to have received the opinion from some of his advisers that the government can permit the disruption of transportation to go no further. There was no indication, however, of the manner in which the transportation crisis might be laid before the cabinet session.

With reports indicating the strong repressive effect of the strike on the nation's business revival, some administration advisers are known to hold the view that the railroad executives should be called upon to make every effort to restore interstate commerce.

San Bernadino, Calif., July 25.—An appeal for 25 additional men was made by O. S. Greenwood, deputy United States marshal, early today following an attack last night upon a Santa Fe passenger train carrying 29 workers for the Santa Fe shops here. Spots were fired at the train as a crowd of strikers and strike sympathizers tried to storm the train on its arrival. Deputy Marshals drew their pistols in the clash with the crowd. Two Marshals were knocked down.

One man was arrested. Strikers sought a warrant for the arrest of Dolph Barrett, charging that he used undue violence. The removal of one police officer will be demanded by Greenwood, he announced. The officer was alleged to have released a striker arrested by a deputy marshal and turned over to the police for temporary custody.

A signal torpedo was placed on the truck and when the train slowed down shots were fired at the coach containing the workers. Two bullets passed through windows.

Ten days ago one train was searched by armed men believed to have been strike sympathizers in Cajon Pass, about twenty miles east of here. At the time the situation was reported tense and the mayor and sheriff a San Bernadino requested that Governor Stephens send troops.

### SANTA FE TRAIN IS ATTACKED BY STRIKERS

### INDUSTRIAL LEADERS PREDICT CRIPPLING OF ALL PUBLIC UTILITIES

CHICAGO, July 25.—(By The Associated Press)—The railway strike combined with the coal strike, was being brought home to the public today through the announcement of leaders in several industries that unless settlement was reached closing of the plants with resulting unemployment, rationing of fuel and food supplies, and a crippling of public utilities service would result.

Steel plants, especially in the east, will be closed on a wholesale scale if present conditions continue until August according to the head of a large steel corporation. Industrial coal was said to be unobtainable at any price in New York. In Chicago increases of from \$5.25 to \$15.25 in coal prices were announced. A shortage of coal cars in bituminous fields has caused an appreciable decline in production.

The close relationship which the strike were assuming was seen in the statement of H. B. Trumbower of the Wisconsin railroad commission that if the strike lasted an additional two weeks rail transportation in that state would be at a standstill.

Officials in Washington still maintained silence on the rail situation but it was confidently expected that President Harding would begin action to end the shopmen's strike during the week.

Hopes for immediate peace were centered in the meeting today of officials of the Baltimore and Ohio with representatives of the strikers. Success in settling differences on that road probably would mean in other roads would adopt a similar course, it is understood.

Further spread of the walkout was considered unlikely since the announcement that the 10,000 members of station agents union would remain at work. However, members of the local union of firemen at Evansville, Ind., yesterday adopted resolutions recommending a strike unless armed guards were removed from the entire Louisville and Nashville system.

Existing embargoes on freight have caused a shortage of commodities in several cities and lack of transportation has reduced the supply in a few lines.

Curtailed of train service continued, the Pere Marquette announcing that "resort special" from Chicago to Detroit, would be placed on a tri-weekly basis and thirteen other trains suspended. Annulment of a number of trains was announced by several other roads.

Disorders took a new turn when several men were arrested in Philadelphia, charged with spreading among the workers at the Baldwin Locomotive Works shops literature demanding that the workers refuse to work on railroad equipment.

Two men reported to the police at Henderson, Ky., said they had been kidnapped and beaten by strikers at Howell, Ind.

Non-union workers on their way to Denison, Tex, to fill the places of striking shopmen of the Missouri, Kansas and Topoka Railroad were halted en route because troops were not there on guard. Seventeen state rangers were sent to Denison by Governor Neff last night, but an official of the railroad said that no less than four or five hundred men could provide protection there.

Three batteries of the Missouri national guard arrived at Moberly, Mo., last night for guard duty in the railroad shops.

### STRIKING CARMAN WAS THREATENED BY PAGE

RALEIGH, July 25.—Governor Morrison yesterday wired the commanding officer of troops on duty at Aberdeen in connection with the shopmen's strike, to furnish E. G. Smith, striking carman, alleged to have been threatened by Mayor Page of Aberdeen and others, such protection as may be needed.

A telegram to the governor from Hamlet labor organizations asserted that on July 1, Smith, who lives at Aberdeen, was threatened by Mayor Henry Page, Chris Page, J. J. Heckart and Bill Page, who, the message said warned him that if he went to Hamlet any more he "had better not return to his home in Aberdeen."

Mayor Page denies that he or the others threatened Smith, saying the charge grew out of a misinterpretation of an interview he had with Smith regarding the kidnapping by alleged strike sympathizers of an employe of the Norfolk-Southern Railway.

A. H. G. Pokker, whose airplanes were used extensively by the Germans during the war, has come to America and is now co-operating with the American Naval designers, according to the American Legion information. Experiments in which Pokker is taking an active part are being made at the government aviation station at Annapolis, D. C.

### THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; little change in temperature.