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GASTONIA, N. C., TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 25, 1922

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.

COMMUNITY SERVICE TO

Thursday Evening At

O'Clock At Community

Playground.

MR. JUNKIN IN CHARGE

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Mahaffey,

Of Community Service

Staff, Are Assisting.

Thursday evening of this week at 5

eock Gastonia Community Service will

present the pageant "The Shepherd in the Distance," a fantasy in pantomine

in seven scenes under the direction of

Mr. George Junkin, a Community Service

expert in dramatise. Mr. Junkin has

been in Gastonia for the past three

weeks training the characters for this

Aiding the regular community Service

committee in the Junior Dramatic Com-

mittee composed as follows: Mrs. Anne

Rankin Sims, Miss Katherine Shaford,

Miss Katherine McLean, Miss Aline Reid,

Miss Iva Battle, Miss Marie Torrence,

A Civic Enterprise

Junior Drama Department of Gastonia

Comunity Service is a non-profit shar-

ing organization, developed by Gastonia

Comunity Service to foster educational

tonia. Its purpose is not to train actors

arts of recreation. Our Junior Dramatic

encourage the communa activities which

"The Junior Dramatic Committee pro-

poses to present a number of similar

programs throughout the year and to do

(e) That Terpsichorean Thriller, who

pirouettes and gyrates faster than the

uman eye can follow. Miss Shirley

Margaret McConnell, Christine Norris,

(e) The Psychic Phenomena, Madam

Howeanshe, the medium, assisted by

Professor Uga, the eminent hypnotist.

(f) Those Sobbing Saxophonists,

(g) The Premier Toe Danseuse De

Luxe, who eclipses in brilliancy of per-

formance the terrestrial spheres them-

A fantasy in pantomime, by Holland

Hudson, in seven scenes. The persons-

The Princess, Thelma Harbin; the at-

Sarah Mason; the Second Slave, Katie

Mae Spencer; the Wazir, Milly Mor-

row; the Wazir, George Smith; the

Nubian, George Loftin; the Goat, Bev-

erly Moore; Ghurri-Wurri, Grover Hope;

the Shepherd, Warren Bealle; the Maker

of Sounds, J. P. Mahaffey. Scenic effects by Mr. L. W. Mahaffey. Cos-

tume designs by Mrs. Jean Paul Ma-

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Starnes, Starnes, Mack Underwood.

selves. Miss Helen Torrence.

Allie Mae Rhyne, Rita Izzrad.

Mary McMillan, Russell Talley.

they play for the sheer love of it.

As stated on the program: "The

Mrs. F. C. Michael.

the children."

Roger Grier.

Brischoll.

Meyers.

son, Fred Shirley.

CHICAGO, July 25.—(By The Associated Press)—Colonel A. A. Sprague, chairman of the American Legion's national rehabilitation committee in a ter to Brigadier General Charles A. STAGE BIG HOME TALENT Sawyer, personal physician to president Harding and chief co-ordinator of the DRAMATIC PANTOMIME federal board of hospitilization, made public today, charges that General Sawyer is standing in the way of proper care for winnded and shell-shocked veterans and holding up hospital plans voted

Appealing to General Sawyer to stand aside," Colonel Spragus 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 coordinator said, "I am convinced that the peak of hospitilization has been passand that the government has sufficient beds, except in two districts, Colonel Sprague replied;

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

"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 hosjital care of the ounded under the Langley appropration bill.

Replying to charges that he wes "penurios anr mercenary," General Sawyer "God forbid that a dollar should ever

be considered in comparison with the results we are seeking for the world war recreation among the children of Gasveterans, but at the same time, let me say that it is our duy to oppose waste- but to acord individuals opporunity for fulness and senseless expenditure wher- self-expression in the varied and allied ever it is found to do.

Because we have money is no reason Players are all volunteers and ameteurs by we shoul waste it. Because the in the best sense of the ord because Langley bill has given us the-millions of dollars, not mandatory, thank Heaven, to C"The Junior Dramatic Department use, let us be careful in the disposition welcomes all who would take part in or

LEGION BOYS PLANNING TO GO TO NEW ORLEANS

American Legion National Convention Will Meet In 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 The following letter to Post Commander Williams from Adjutant Alexander, of the Charllotte post, is selfexplanatory:

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. Beg to advise that I have placed

an order with the Soutern Railhway for one special train from Charlote to New Orleans and return to Charlotte, consisting of standard steel Pullman cars. This train will leave Charlotte Sun- whose flora and fauna and flotsam and

day morning October 16th and return to jetsam is as yet to be surpassed. Messrs Charlotte Sunday morning October 22ud. Roger Grier, Frank Suggs, Clark We will use the sleeping cars for

our quarters during the entire trip and they ill be parked near the uptown distriet in New Orleans.

The price for this trip, including fare and borth (excuding Hawaiians wish for the beach at Uaon-

meals), wil lbe \$50.00 There will be no difference in the price of uper and lower berths. I am Louise Austin, Mrs. F. C. Michael. filling a car as the applications come in, and when one ear 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 at, car and only one person in a berth Will certainly be glad to have as mitry 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

Two cars will be reserved for members who desire to take their wives and a ndy members of the famiv. The remainder of he rain will be all stag agair. With best wishes,

Yours Very Truly THOS. L. ALEXANDER

MAJOR BLAKE 'S PLANE CRASHED TO GROUND tendant, Edith Smith; the First Slave,

(By The Associated Press.)

LONDON, July 25 .- (By the Associated Press)—The airplane in which Major W. T. Blake, the British aviator 8 atempting a round the world flight from England, crashed to the ground at Sibi, British Beluchistan, near Quetta, Saturday, saye an Exchange Telegram disday, saye an Exchange Telegram dis-patch from Barachi today. The aviator Shuford. The action-1. The Princess escaped uninjured, but the under-carriage 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

Railroad, Coal And Textile Strikes Have Put Business On IT IS NOT DEBATABLE 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 condi-

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

FEDERAL CONTROL COAL SUPPLY BEGINS AT ONCE

Function Within 48 Hours.

TO BE NO MORE TRIFLING

Government Has Exhausted Every Means To End the Strike.

WASHINGTON, July 25. - The program will begin to function within

Secretary Hoover in making this anpractical work along educational lines in recreation as ell as to promote a unfair prices by the operators' associapetter type of dramatic endeavor for tion was expected within that time, but if co-operation was withheld in any dis-The program for the evening is as trie the government would proceed to appoint the necessary local committees. The emergency coal control plan, Mr.

(a) The Honey Boy Minstrels, who will introduce an old timey black face Hoover stated, is intended to apply to minstrel opening. Interlocutor-Russell all coal produced whether in the non-Talley, End Men-T. W. Wilson, Dick union or union fields and it was indi-Middle Men-Robert Grier, gated that service orders by the inter-Henry Hand Rankin, David Levin, state commerce commission providing Henry F. Michael, Way Gantt, Thomas for priorities in the allocation of coal Kindley, Sherrod Kign, Frank Barlowe, cars may be expected almost immediate-Glenn Kindley. Coaches-K. M. Glass,

(b) The Heavy Harmony Boys, who Hoover declared the government had into the race for the Democratic nomiwill render some barber shop agony in exhausted every means toward a setapproved jazz bo style. Messrs, Dan tlement, that it had offered arbitra-McConnell, Luke Wilson, Herbert Wat- tion of coal produced.

who are unrivaled for their pureness advances in prices have been reported ination for governor. and sweetness of melody. The Misses to the commerce department from some localities, he said, reaching as high as \$13.50 a ton in western Kentucky.

CULBERSON LOST OUT IN THE TEXAS PRIMARY

Congressman Blanton Has Opponent-Ku Klux Klan Figures.

(h) The Mandogita Trio, who make DALLAS, Texas, July 25.-Leading Senator Charles A. Culberson by more than 16,000 votes on the face of latest ouise Austin, Mrs. F. C. Michael. returns from Saturday's democratic (i) Mother Goose's Chicks. (a) The primary, James E. Ferguson, former Old Lady Who Lived in a Shoe-Mary governor, seemed assured of being in Alice Culp. (b) Bo Peep-Elaine the run off August 26, with Earle May-Meyers. (e) Little Boy Blue-Albert field, who now holds first place in the (d) Jack and Jill-Nancy senatorial contest by a margin of nearly Timberlake, Tom Thompson. (e) Lit. 26,000 votes. Mayfield was generally the Miss Muffet-Emily Williams. (f) regarded as having the support of the Dumpty-Mac Morris. (g) Ku Klux Klau, although he did not Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary-Jennie make the klan an issue in his campaign. Gray Barkley. (h) Little Jack Horner Ferguson and Culberson opposed the

George Gray, Jr. (i) Queen of Hearts—Lottic Parker. (j) Wee Willie Sem Winkie—Billy Miller. Senator Culberson did not come to Texas from Washington to prosecute his symphonic symphony of soothing not want to leave his senatorial duties. sounds. Miss Margaret McConnell, Miss In the even of his elimination from ap-Kindley, Sherrod King, Frank Barlowe, proachingroaching run-off, it would Pansy McConnell, Mr. Dan McCon- mean his retirement after twenty-four (k) The Shepherd in the Distance. years service in the senate.

candidates. other nominated for re-election over three commissioner. Judge Silzer, who has ignored the Ku Klux Klan question in the backing of the Democratic state orhis campaign, but was considered to ganization, has as yet done no campaignhave had the support of the klan.

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton, for a modification of the Volstead act who has been a conspicuous figure in and has stated his opposition to approthe lower house since his election there- priations for state prohibition enforce tures closed firm; spots steady, 20 to, has a lead of 12,000 votes over his ment. On this point he has taken a points up. nearest opponent, and his re-nomination stand contrary to that of Senator Freseems assured.

over John E. Davis.

Secretary Hoover Says It Will PROHIBITION IS BIG ISSUE IN NEW JERSEY STATEWIDE PRIMARY

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

government's emergency coal control GOV. EDWARDS IS "WET"

nouncement today said ratification of Senator Frelinghuysen De- wire received. Never made any stateclares 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 gubernatoriall nomination on the Demogratic 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 As regards the coal strike itself, Mr. and public utilities have been injected nation for governor.

United States Senator Joseph S. Frelinghpysen, seeking renomination as a The commerce secretary emphasized Republican candidate, will be opposed by the intention of the government to pre- George L. Record of Jersey City, an at vent advancing coal prices and declared torney. He was defeated for the Repub that under the emergency program no lican nomination in 1918 by United freight ears would be allocated to those States Senator Walter E. Edge and pre-(d) The Virtuoso String Quartet, who tried "to rob the public." Sharp viously defeated for the Republican nom-

Senator Frelinghuysen in a recent ad dress 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 nullification of the eighteenth amend-

The Senator also has declared for a protective tariff, but would take the whole matter out of polities by increas-Lead Of 12,000 Votes Over ing the personnel of the Tariff Commission as prvoided for in a bill which he clared for continued adi for the farmers through the farm loan banks.

Opposing Senator Frelinghuysen in qquest of the nomination, Mr. Record deshould be pressedd 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 extitled 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 prohi-(j) The McConnell Trio, who present campaign for re-election, saying he did bition 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 Governor Pat M. Neff has been 8. Silzerof the circuit court and William Governor Neff E. Tuttle, state banking and insurance ing. Commissioner Tuttle has come out Mrs. Edith Williams, candidate for people have shown that they do not want 21.18; May 21.02; Spots 212.65. the state house of representative from prohibition and dtherefore should not be the Dallas district, maintained her lead burdened with a tax for something they (Continued on page 8.)

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.

Asks Barrett To Tell Him What It is He Wants Done.

RALEIGH, July 25.—Governor Morrison today answered Jin 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 he whole business. The governor had been talking in sections, first to one news paper man and then another, in the ourse of which he referred to the sharp nimadversions on him by the Greens oro Dailly News and "the veiled at tacks' on him by the Raleigh News and Observer.

The whole thing grew out of his degram 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 execa tive office for a cyar and a half. He knew that he could not debate with anybody and the slant of Jim Barrett eems to have been altogether the governor's burning desire to fight it out in a

Barrett Accepts Challenge Acardingly Barrett issued his accep-tence of the "challengs" and agreed to debate the question of sending troops. Of course, anybody could see that when the governor sought conrtroversy 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 telegra mto Barrett says: "Your ment that I wanted to debate with any body but did say my position forbade body and therefore I could not debate the matter involved in my telegram to President Harding with Raleligh News and Observer and Greensboro News. The question you refer to is not a debatable question. If the troops are denying you or those you represent the right to do anything you want to do please let me kno at once what it is and if it is not against the aw, I will see that they are required to let you do it."

YOUNG MEN LEAVE FOR CAMP WEDNESDAY today by Chairman Be ate labor committee.

Gone a Month.

introduced in the Senate. He has de- that pass through the city Wednesday. take any other steps which are deemed Fare to and from the camp and all mea's are paid for to and from the camp during the time at the camp. Among those leaving from here Wednesday are: T. clude: lies is the paramount issue and one which C Quickle, Jr., W. C. Johnson, I. N. Alexander, C. B. Hawkins, Hardy Garland, William J. Lynch Laban L. Lord, William B. King, Samuel H. Gibbons, J. Edward Perry, G. C. Moore, Ralph Pendelton, Heary P. Brison, F. W. McLaughlin and Plato O. Stewart. They expect to return home about September 1.

ATTEMPT TO REOPEN

CHICAGO, Ju'y 25.—Illinois coal perator's association members said today there was no hoje for immediate FIRST WOMAN ARRESTED IN reopening of lilinois mines. After a meeting of the association,

President Miller said the hopes of reopening the mines had been abandoned Nothing short of martial law and the suspension of the state mining las by the government could start work in the mines, Mr. Miller added.

COTTON MARKET

CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET NEW YORK, July 25. - Cofton fu-

July, not quoted; October 21,40; linghuysen, expressing the belief that the December 21.35; January 21.23; March 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 break-down in transportation might be looked for raised some expectation of impor-tant developments at today's cabinet meeting.
President Harding, who was de-

clared 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 strongly 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

SANTA FE TRAIN IS ATTACKED BY STRIKERS

States marshall, early today following decline in production. an attack last night upon a Santa Fe fired at the train as a crowd of strikers consin railroad commission that if the and strike sympathizers tried to storm strike lasted an additional two weeks the rain on its arrival. Deputy Marshals drew their pistols in the clash Two Marshals were with the crowd. knocked down.

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

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

Ten days ago one train was searched men beleived to have been strike sympathizers in Cajon Pass, about my entering into controversy with any- twenty miles east of here. At the time the situation was reported tense and the mayor and sheriff a San Bernardino requested that Governor Stephens seend

BORAH RECOMMENDS

and recommend legislation to congress announced by several other roads. was proposed in a resolution introduced Disorders took a new turn when several today by Chairman Borah of the Sen-

from the commission "on the advisabil- literature demanding that the workers About Twenty Local Youths ity or necessity of nationalizing the refuse to work on railroad equipment. Will Go To Camp McPher- coal industry" and "the feasibility or Two men reported to the police at son For Training-Will Be necessity of governmental regulation Henderson, Ky., taht they had been kidand control of the coal industry."

The interstate commerce commission Ind. Several young men of this city will issue the declaration of emergency unave Wednesday for Camp McPherson, was understood today to be prepared to corgia, where they will spend the der which Secretary Hoover's distribu-United States army officers in courses Under this emergency order the car serthat Uncle Sam offers free of charge to vice division of the commission, headthe youths of America each summer. The ed by Commissioner Aitchison will be Citizen's Military Training Camp is the able to direct the movement of cars. name of he branch. Three courses are declare embargoes to prevent the shipoffered, the Red, the Blue and White ment of coal except to the consignces whose needs it is considered necessary About fifteen or twenty of Gastonia in the public interest to supply first, will go to the camp on special trains and to require railroad management to All expenses are paid by the government. necessary to the control of the coal shops.

Other points on which recommendations are called for in the bill in-

"Standardizing the mines upon the basis of their productive capacity and regarding the closing down of mines which by reason of their natural limitations fall below the standard. for mine workers and the living condi-

"Standardizing the cost of living tions which must be supplied or afforded in order to surround the work men with reasonable comforts, recogniz-MINES ABANDONED ing the psychological effect of such surroundings in respect to their efficiency.

CONNECTION WITH SRTIKE

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 25 .- Miss Matiece Whmeyer is the first woman arrested here in connection with the railroad strike. She is charged with posessing a deadly weapon.

She told the police that women employed as ear cleaners in the New York Central Railroad yard had been on strike for three weeks and that at a meeting last night she was assigned to picket duty, negresses having aken their strik-

"I don't want to lie about my lintentions in carrying that steel rod," Miss Wehmeyer said, according to the police.

THE WEATHER

INDUSTRIAL LEADERS PREDICT GRIPPLING OF ALL PUBLIC UTILITIES

Coal Prices In Chicago Increased From \$5.25 To \$15.25.

HARDING IS STILL SILENT

10,000 Station Agents Decide To Remain At Work For Present.

CHICAGO, July 25 .- (By The Assoated Press)-The railway strike combined with the coal strike, was being prought home to teh 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 orporation. Industrial coal was said to e unobtainable at any price in New York. In Chicago increases of from SAN BERNADINO, Calif., July 25. \$5.25 to 15.25 in coal prices were announ--An appeal for 25 aditional men was eed. A shortage of coal cars in bitumimade by O. S. Greenwood, deputy United nous fields has caused an appreciable

The close relationship which the strike passenger train carrying 29 workers for were assuming was seen in the statehe Santa Fe shops here. Shots were ment of H. B. Trumbower of the Wisrail transportation in that stat would be

at a sandstill. Official Washington still maintained silence on the rail situation but it was confidently expected that Presdent Harding would begin action to end the shopen's strike during the weekk.

Hopes for immediate peace were center I 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 ha other roads would adopt a similar course, it is understood.

Further spread of the walkout, was onsidered unlikely since the announcemen that the 10,000 members of station agents union would remain at work: How ever, members of the local union of fire men at Evensville, Ind., yesterday adopted resolutions recommending a strike unless armed guards were removed from the entire Louisville and Nashvillel 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. FEDERAL COAL OMMISSION the Pere Marquette aunouncing that the WASHINGTON, July 25. - Crea- "resort special" from Chicago to De tion of a federal coal commission of troit, would be placed on a tri-weekly three members appointed by the presi-basis and thirteen other trains suspended. dent to investigate the coal industry Anullment of a number of trains was

men were arrested in Philadelphia, charged with spreading among the workers at Recommendations would be required the Baldwin Locomotive Works shops

> napped and beaten by strikers at Howell, Non-union workkers on their way to Denison, Tex, to fill the places of striking shopmen of the Missouri, Kansas and Topeka 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 les 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

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 earman, 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 Aberdeen, was threatened by Mayor Henry Page, Chris Page, J. J. Heckart and Billie 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

A. H. G. Fokkker, 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 American Legion information. Experiment is which Fokker is taking an active part