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25,000 Girls Are Distributed Among Turks, It Is Claimed

NEW ORLEANS SUFFERS \$5,000,000 FIRE ALONG THE WHARFLAST NIGHT

Government Warehouses and Army Advance Supplies Are Burned.

FIVE REPORTED DEAD

Forty Freight Cars Loaded With Various Commodi-ties Destroyed.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 16. — It was estimated early today that the loss from the fire which raged along the water-front for three hours last night, dechairmen of striking shop eraft unions stroying the long stretch of wharves of the Southern Railway and officials of the southern Railway and officials of the south failed today to reach an Army ordnance and commercial commosix million dollars.

Reports late last night that five lives were lost during the progress of the conflagration had not been confirmed early today. Members of the crew of the German freight steamer Elsa Hugo Stinnes declared a sailor on that vessel was burned to death on the wharf when he attempted to board the ship and that another sailor who jumped over board was cut to pieces by the ship's propeller. Another report made to the police was that three members of the erew of the steamship Florence Luckenback had jumped overboard and were thought to have been drowned.

In addition to wharves about forty freight cars loaded with burlap, cotton stored on the wharves, and a shipment ed by the Government, valued by Colonel
L. F. Girrard, of the Quartermaster
Corps at nearly \$500,000, also were de

"A conference between Vice-Presiof rifles, helmets and machine guns own-

a freight car loaded with burlap. It strike on the Southern, spread quickly to the wharves in front of the Government Army supply base and was not checked until half a mile of docks from Mazant Street to Kentucky craft chairmen for their signatures but Avenue and the two-story steel and sheet | so far they have declined to sign. metals sheds owned by the Government | Present as representatives of place where the fire started, was badly

estimated to be in excess of \$3,000,000. proximately \$15,000,000 were not dam-

Four thousand bales of burlaps, 4,600 bales of cotton bagging owned by local firms and roughly valued at \$1,500,000; 4,000 rolls of print paper consigned to two local afternoon papers and a large eargo of lumber assembled on the dock for exports were burned.

- LITTLE WORLD'S SERIES

Yankees and Browns, Separated Only By Half a Following settlements with the Order of Railway Conductors and the Brother-Will Decide the Pennant.

will open a "little world's series" that promises to have a decisive bearing on similar agreements with rail unions at the outcome of the American League Cleveland and Pittsburgh, race. The Browns tightened the constopped by the effective pitching of the field-Willard-Jewell proposals. White Sox youngster, Blankenship, two Today brought a lull in the Govern-

ing for the Browns while Bob Shawkey the defense Monday. was Huggins' probable mound choice. | Judge Wilkerson told the opposing

from Chicago, seven to six, while Pitts-burgh lost to Boston, four to one. With Pirates should capture all fifteen of involved, Attorney Daugherty said.

COTTON MARKET

CLOSING BIDS ON NEW

YORK COTTON MARKET NEW YORK, Sept. 16. — The cotton futures market closed barely steady at ten points down, as follows:

January 21:34; March 21.43; May 21:40; July 21:20; September 21.15; October 21:25; November 21:35; Decem-her 21:45; Spots 21:50.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Sunday; cooler,

General Chairmen of Southern Railway Shop Workers Fail To Agree With Road's Officials

Hope to Arrange Basis of Agreement Which Would End Strike.

CONFIDENCE EXPRESSED

Warfield-Willard-Jewell Proposal Is Basis of Settlement.

the United States Government commo- of the road failed today to reach an dity warehouse and vast quantities of agreement to settle the strike on the basis of the Warfield-Willard-Jewell dities, would reach between five and proposal adopted by the general policy committee of the shop srafts.

The statement was made by railroad officials after a brief conference today with the general chairmen that "the Southern was willing to settle on the basis of the 'Chicago agreement' and CONGRESS PUTS BONUS presented this to the shop chairmen for their signatures but so far they have declined to sign."

The break-up of the conference represented the first failure in negotiations between strikers and railroads which were understood to have subscribed to the Warfield-Willard-Jewell agreement.

Southren officials expressed a willingness to continue the negotiations but and other commodities were burned. A the general chairmen did not immelarge quantity of sisal, cotton and oil diately disclose whether they would the general chairmen did not imme make another move toward peace.

The statement issued from the head-

stroyed. The munitions were being dent Miller of the Southern Railway placed on freight cars for shipment to the six striking shop crafts adjourned The fire was discovered by a dock this morning without reaching an agree-board watchman about 8:30 o'clock in ment for immediate termination of the

were totally destroyed. The steamship shop workers when the conference began Florence Luckenback, moored at the were A. M. McGillivray, of Birming nothing toward answering the question scorched before being moved out into the vey, of Richmond, boiler makers; Ar- measure as to whether the president thur Gladhill, of Birmingham, black-miths: W. H. Blalock, of Knoxville, The White House spokesman also said Loss to the Government through the smiths; W. H. Blalock, of Knoxville. destruction of the wharves and steel sheet metal workers, and J. H. Ellis, sheds which were built in 1918-19 was of Spencer, N. C., carmen. C. N. Holland, of Meridian, Miss., represent-Three Government warehouses in the ing the electrical workers, was expected rear of the sheds, creeted at a cost of ap- to arrive during the course of the conference.

> CHICAGO, Sept. 16. - Sixteen railwith various labor unions today through port. The treasury, it was stated, had United States Railroad Labor Board was tion to the present bill. created as arbiter of disputes between railways and their employes.

These settlements, however, according to Ben W. Hooper, chairman of the OPENS AT ST. LOUIS Board do not reputate in accord with the rather are "entirely in accord with the anticipated, but opinion at the capitol as to whether he would veto or approve us to whether he would veto or approve Board do not repudiate the Board but ferred to yesterday's agreement between the New York Central Lines and the train service brotherhoods, and other pending debate today which preceded senate

hood of Railroad Trainmen, the New today with the shop crafts on the basis of the Warfield-Willard-Jewell plan. NEW YORK, Sept. 16. - Separated Separate agreements with the engiby only a half a game, the New York ners', firemens' and switchmens' unions Yankees and St. Louis Browns today were in prospect, according to officials. The Pennsylvania System was party to

Agreements on wages and rules with vote" there would be sufficient votes to test on the eve of the all-important series newly created shop unions were announcby taking the last game from Boston, ed by the Chicago, Burlington and seven to one, while the Yankees were Quiney, which had turned down the War

ment's injunction procedings before The westerners were expected to be Judge James H. Wilkerson, Attorney ing week. In that event it was the strengthened for the big test by the re- General Daugherty and his aides rested turn of their injured star, George Sisler, their case on the strength of 600 affidawho declared his determination to play vits supporting charges of violence, intiregardless of his physician's orders. midation and destruction of property fident the necessary two-thirds majority Urban Shocker was slated to do the hurl- and attorneys for strike leaders will open

The New York Giants drew nearer to lawyers that the restrain-order will not another championship by taking their be renewed when it expires September seventh straight game and third in a row 21 unless the injunction hearing is com-

If the injunction is upheld by Judge a lead of six full games, the Giants will means the end of strikes need win only eleven of their seventeen in which Interstate Commerce or the games to clinh the pennant, even if the United States Government are directly to the probability of a veto, while Sen-Judge Wilkerson ealled for an investi-

published three days after the restraining order went into effect.

TWO BILLS FACE, EACH

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13.—William T. Tilden, 2nd, of Philadelphia, American champion, and William M. Johnston, of San Francisco, former title tions: holder, today faced each other for the ment for the lawn tennis singles cham-pionship of the United States. "Big Bill" and "Little Bill" have met ten times in important tournaments, and each has won five times.

third time in a final round of a tourna- adjusted service credit at the rate of thing could be done to persuade that touched the naked leg. There was no

TREE CASTS SHADOW LINCOLN'S PROFILE

LAWRENCE, KAN., Sept. 15. — Almost within a stone's throw of the University of Kansas but probably unknown to the vast majority of students and townspeople is a curious natural phenomenon. It is an above ground formation of tree roots which, in the light of an arc street lamp, cast a shadow profile of Abraham Lincoln.

The likeness of the Great Emancipator is unmistakable. The bushy hair, high forehead, shaggy eyebrows, deep set eyes, prominent nose, thick lips, chin whiskers—all are faithfully reproduced in the shadow picture which is nearly twice life

Although the profile has appeared nightly for more than a decade, it has changed scarely at all.

QUESTION SQUARELY UP TO PRES. HARDING

Whether He Will Veto or Sign It Is Question That Is Uppermost.

EXPECT PROMPT ACTION

Senate Adopts Conference Report, 36 to 17—President's Attitude "Up In Air."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 .- President Harding was declared at the White House today to have "made up his mind" with respect to the soldier bonus with respect to the soldier bonus bill on which congressional action was the completed yesterday. This statement, however, did little or

ham, for the machinists; T. G. Gar- in the minds of foes and friends of the that th bill, following th usual course, would be referred to the treasury department and that the president's acion might be expected soon after its the capital for the week-end but treasroads had signed separate agreements president should ask for an early repre-war methods in vogue before the not in any way changed in its opposi-

along to President Harding.

the measure still was divided, This question entered largely into the

adoption of the conference report, 36

Conceding that while the question of the president's attitude was, as Sena-York Central Lines opened negotiations tor Harrison, democrat, Mississippi, extoday with the shop crafts on the basis pressed it, "up in the air," Senator McCumber, republican North Dakota, in charge of the bill, said he "hoped to the president would sign it. "I think he ought to sign it," elared, adding that if senators who wanted "to help the soldiers" would

> pass it over a veto. If He Vetoes It. Some leaders in the house were of the opinion that if the president de-

remain in Washington until "a final

cided to veto the measure it would be returned to Congress early in the complan to bring up speedily in the house again Monday. It was remarked today the question of overriding the veto, that it is costing the men who do the Proponents of the legislation were concould be obtained, the house having passed the bill by a majority of more than four to one.

Admittedly, however, there was doubt as to the situation in the senate. Opponents claimed 34 senators in oppo- to induce the conferees on the rivers and sition, two more than necessary to sus-

ator Harrison said he had reports that word has ben passed down the line senate stood by the North Carolina senagation of remarks attributed to Mr. that the president is going to veto tor to the end but the house members Jewell commenting upon the strike and the bill."

still was in hopes there would be no the house to determine whether that veto, resterating his opinion that the body would stand for it. Senator Simmeasure as drawn met the objection of mans was successful in his efforts to in-OTHER FOR CHAMPIONSHIP the president and the secretary of the duce a reluctant majority of the senate

a day for foreign service did not ex- ject.

Adjusted service certificates having (Continued on page six.)



John Landau of the Brooklyn navy yard experiments with a breathing apparatus recently perfected by the Bureau of Mines. An oxygen tank permits the wearer to stay under water 15 minutes and to pass through thick smoke.

TERMINAL AT CAPITAL IS SEEN AS OBSTACLE

cials Confer This Morning On Strike Question.

Question Is, What Is to Be Discussed and How Will It Be Started.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15. - It was return. Secretary Mellon was out of thought at the general office of the the capital for the week-end but treasury officials said his absence would not tween representatives of the shop crafts prevent transmission to the White and Vice President Henry Miller, in House of the treasury views if the charge of operation, would begin tomorrow at 10 o'clock. It is said that the men were expected to arrive here from Chicago tonight over the Baltimore and Ohio, and that it was customary to hold forenoon meetings. J. M. Ellis, state chairman for North Carolina, is in the today passed the soldiers' bours bill officials and for this city. Most of the officials said again today they had no idea what there was to talk about, but some have considered it possible spokesmen for the shopmen will ring in the Washington terminal situation, which is giving the union chiefs no little con-

Upwards of a thousand men were em ployed by the terminal company and when the strikers quit the superintendent told them good-bye, and this is the attitude of the company today. Five and Ohio, have been directly interested in the Chicago negotiations. It was said today that if Mr. Willard's railroad cannot have any influence over the more or less independent terminal company here it is certain there is nothing the Southern can do about it, even if officials had not exclusively their own.

Begin Work Monday. But barring complication the conference should only be a matter of moments tomorrow, and in that case the men should be able to take up their that it is costing the men who do the work when they are at work, about \$40,-000 a day to await the holding of this formal conference, when there may or may not be something to talk about.

While not feeling very well today, Senator Simmons fought for an hour

and a half in conference in an effort harbors bill to include in that measure the amendment relating to the Disma lars. The members representing the Senator McCumber told the senate he however, to take the amendment back to the president and the secretary of the duce a reluctant majority of the senate in prayer. Before electricity struck treasury to the original cash bonus plan. commerce committee to report this a film his right hand was waving nervmendment favorably, and he would regret ously as though the leathers were a bad very much to see the measure lost at fit. The belinet was soaked as the As it goes to the president tomorrow, very much to see the measure lost at fit. The belief was soaked as the the bonus bill would provide four op this juncture. Congressman Ward has doctors listened for the heart-beat, the been sitting on the lid on the house side hot current turned on again and flesh Adjusted service pay if the veteran's for several days in the hope that some browned and baked where the electrode \$1 a day for domestic service and \$1.25 body to approve the Dismal swamp pro- unusual amount of this.

LATE DISPATCHES SERVE ONLY TO MAGNIFY TALE SMYRNA TRAGEDY; TELL OF TORTURE AND MUTILATION

MURPHY AND THOMAS, MOORE NEGROES, PAY IN CHAIR FOR CRIMES

Guilty of Attacking Mr. and Mrs. Ketchen, of Florida, In Moore County

MOST FANTASTIC SHOW

Crowd Looks On It as Though It Were a Double-Header Baseball Game.

(By W. T. Bost.) RALEIGH, Sept. 15.—With automo biles parked about the state prison grounds as though Raleigh and Durham were playing a double-header, and among which vehicles were two hearses that were to carry them back to town Angus Murphy and Jasper or Joe Thomas were electrocuted this morning for crimes against Mrs. A. E. Ketchen, of Miami, Fia., seven weeks

ago near Southern Pines. Far from the most interesting human event incident to the snuffing out of a life, this extra bill was the weirdest, most fantastic show that the state has put on. The crowd which saw it looked on it as a double-header base-ball game in which the state knocked out Murphy in three innings and Thomas in four. Of all the spectacles in nearly sixty such sights, this had the least of the semblance of any hu-IN STRIKE AGREEMENT the least of the semblance of any humanity about it. The warden, the machinery, and the undertakers did their work well, but the men who occupied Shopmen and Southern Offi- one a few hours from it recalls hardly

a circumstance which remarks the passing of two personalities.

Many Visitors From Moore. Indeed, the pair of blacks even with "WHO WILL BREAK ICE" solemn recitatives from the scriptures, and the singing before the march to death began, could not lift themselves above the abysmal, the subter-brutishness to which the crime of the elder, Murphy, had chained them. strange new crowd had seen few electrocutions. Many of the visitors were from Moore. Even as the first dead man was lifted before spectators' and dumped into the dead basket, one could hear mumbling Moore people say ing: "I seen them the morning they brought them here," and "that ain't any hard death, it is like tickling people with an ostrich feather," "That's too easy for such — ," and sundry things. Warden Busbee stopped this buzzing conversation which became once

almost general. The best the doubleshifts could think of it was a perfunctory state disposal of some rubbish. As for having any solemnity, any "great moral lesson" further than showing how impotent is a state to teach morals, there was none. Any November hog killing matched it in solemnity. The state had a gorilla and an assassin on its hands and got them off the best way it could.

Four women stood through both cere were young folks, apparently under 25, the other two were approaching middle age. They were nurses from Rex hospital and evidently came in a sort of roads use the Washington terminal, but official way. "Have you your fainting only two, the Southern and Baltimore medicine!" Warden Busbee asked the eldest of them.

The Crowd Laughs.

"I don't need it," she said, and the erowd laughed outright. The first shift was now put and 12 witnesses, a sort of apostolic cabal to hand down the inclination to look about for troubles the truth, were reserved for witnesses and Warden Busbee called the first victim.

He was Murphy, the actual assailant lighter than the gingerbread color of tives was carried out here today. his race, came first. Limp and his nerve all gone after days of boasting University, was on the program for and swearing that he didn't give a an address, "The Boy Scout, the Citidamn, he dropped into the chair, and if he ever knew anything more, his blank face did not show it. He ap- ing part in the conference, grain was peared to have fainted, though he may a speaker. have meant to go off in a trance. Rev. E. C. Dwelle, pastor of one of negro churches, read consolatory scripture, but Murphy was dead to it. The current came on, held on 72 sec-onds, and the heart was beating still. On again and off again, Murphy was dead in five minutes from the time that

he swooned into the chair. He was unbound from the chair, dropped into the dead basket and the first shift sent out. A rush bad the octagonal chamber full again in two minutes and Thomas was led in. looked the younger brother to the elder. The current was four times applied to him; it struck him as his lips moved

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.,
The bodies of the Rev. Edward W.
Hall, | rector of the Protestant
Episcopal church of St. John the
Divine here, and an unidentified
woman were found under an apple tree on a farm near here today. There was a bullet woud in the clergyman's forehead and three woundsin the woman's head.

HENRY FORD BEGINS PROCESS OF CLOSING UP

Protest Against Paying What He Thinks Is Exorbitant Prices For Steel And Coal—100,000 Men To Be Idle For Indennite Period.

DETROIT, MICH., Sept. 16. -(By The Associated Press.) — As a protest against paying what he believes to be exorbitant prices for coal and steel, Henry Ford today began the process of closing up his huge in-

dustry.
With the suspension complete when the last shift of workers leaves the various factories tonight, approximately 100,000 men will have been rendered idle for an indefinite period. The plants affected include the five factories in the Detroit area and numerous assembling stations throughout the country. Other con-cerns, the output of which goes chiefly to the Ford Company also are

expected to suspend operations.

In announcing the contemplated closing several week's ago. Mr. Ford delared no coal shortage existed, that brokers were holding enough coal to supply the needs of the country and that public was being "gonge" by the dealers. He also criticised Government agencies for their method of apportioning

The past week brought some improvement in the fuel situation, Ford officials asserted yesterday, but this, they said, did not warrant a change in the suspension order.

The first lay-off of men occurred last mid-night at the River Rouge blast furnaces, where about 18,000 are employed. When shifts were changed the workers turned in their tools and were told not to return until notified of a resumption of operations. Two thousand men are to be retained at this plant, however, to tend the coke ovens, which cannot be allowed to cool.

Inquiry today failed to disclose any other Detroit manufacturers who contemplated action similar to that of Mr. Ford.

CUTTING THROUGH 93 FEET SOLID ROCK TO MINERS

mass of twisted steel rails, timbers, rock and debris that blocks the end of tragedy in Smyrna.

the 3,600 foot level of the Kennedy mine, according to rescue crews endeavoring to break through to the Arincendiary origin, and the flames, acgonaut workings where 47 men now cording to the latest account, had renebhave been entombed 19 days. result today, they had abandoned the were crowded with fear-crazed Christi task of clearing the final sixteen feet refugees who fled to the city as the of the level of this material and started nearest port of escape from the Turks. boring through the stone. They had about 93 feet of rock to cut through. tarough rock for several days.

Rescue workers were spurred on by report of the state chemical engineer that an analysis of air in the Argonaut shaft showed not the slightest sign of putrefaction to indicate that there is present in the depths of the Argonaut a human body. Gasses arising from de composition would be disclosed by the delicate tests made, he said.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PROF. BLUE RIDGE, N. C., Sept. 16.— With an address by Dr. Norman E. Richardson, of Northwestern University, and reports of several officials as of Mrs. Ketchen, and the assailant of the chief events on the program, the her husband. The powerful fellow, fifth day's session of Boy Scout execuchief events on the program, the Dr. E. K. Fretwell, of Columbia

> A "stunt" night, with Scout execu tives representing twelve regions and every state featuring all kinds of talent, came as a climax to Friday's activities, which was also marked by a visit of the Asheville Rotary Club.

New York, who has been taking a lead-

NEXT WEEK'S WEATHER. WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.-Weather outlook for the week beginning Mon-

fair and cool with frosts probable in elevated regions. South Atlantic and East Gulf States: Generally fair with temperature somewhat below normal; occasional rains

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16. - The Soldiers' Bonus Bill, in Congress in one Dardanelles in return for the fre form or another for three yars, finally was today before President Hurding . The President's attitude toward I. C. C. Is Attacked.

The 59th Victim of Chair,

I. C. C. Is Attacked.

Thus ended the day's exercises, the minds of both friends and foes. And Senator Simmons today received telefourth double electrocution and the 59th it was one to which they expected an look of Continued on page 5.1.

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(Continued on page 5.1. answer early next week.

BODY OF CLERGYMAN AND WOMAN FOUND DEAD ARMENIAN WOMEN AND CHILDREN BEING PUT TO SWORD BY TURK ARMY

Inhabitants of City, Crazed With Fear, Throng the Wharves Asking Aid.

ENTIRE CITY IS IN RUINS

Many Throw Themselves Into Water Rather Than Face Turkish Soldiers.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 16.

—(By the Associated Press.)—
Upwards of 2,000 persons perished in the great fire at Smyrna; 2,500 buildings were destroyed, and all the American property wiped out.
The catastrophe, say direct advices received here, is of much greater proportions than the confiagration at Saloniki in 1917 which

caused \$100,000,000 damage and left 200,000 homeless. A heavy rain continued to fall after the fire, making the plight of the inhabitants and refugees pitiable. Thousands of the frantic populace fled to the water front and pleaded with the small forces of American bluejackets there to

give them shelter aboard the destroyers.

Many in desperation jumped into the water and were drowned.

The city is without adequate food and water, and the deplorable lack of sanitary conditions is giving rise to pestilence.

25,000 GIRLS DISTRIBUTED AMONG TURKISH SOLDIERS LONDON, Sept. 15.—"Twenty-five nousand Christian women and girls thousand Christian have been conveyed to the interior an distributed among the Turkish sol-diers," says a dispatch to the Times from M. Lascaris, editor of Koamos, a Smyrna newspaper, who has arrived on the Island of Mitylene.

"New refugees from Smyrna arrived here this morning (September 15), in-cluding many Americans and English. They say the Turks are using machine guns at the street corners, killing in-discriminately,' the dispatch adds.

LONDON, Sept. 16,-(By the Asso-JACKSON, Cal., Sept. 16.—Solid from Constantinople, Athens and other rock is easier to cut through than the centersof information in the Near East only tend to magnify the tale of the

> As a ed the waterfront, where the quaya Many have thrown themselves into

the water, rather than run the risk of Original plans were for cutting through being burned alive or of facing Musthe rock oor 77 feet only. The crew tapha Kemal Pasha's soldiery, drank on the 3,900 foot level has been cutting with victory and fired with religious fanatacism. Others have not had the chance choose, according to dispatches from Greek sources, which tell of horrible tortures and mutilations, and wholesale executions. Large numbers of Greek

soldiers have been decapitated, they say, and others forced into sacks and thrown into the sea. Allegations of having served in the Greek army bring death to the Armenians, and and children are being put to the sword. Estimates of the number killed vary greatly, and the latest Athens dispatch quotes an American relief worker as declaring that up to Thursday morning there had been 120,000 victims. It is thought this figure may include the wounded also, as previous reports placed the number of dead at from 1,000 to

that all the villages are burning, and that the whole countryside has

tonight. St. Elmo Lewis, of devastated. Meanwhile the Turkish forces in the north have continued their advance, and almost simultaneously with the news of their capture of Panderma, on the Sca of Marmosa, comes the announcement that the British fleet in the Dardsnelles has been ordered to prevent any attempt to cross the straits, and that no ship shall be allowed to concentrate for the purpose of transferring troops

in a movement toward Thrace. Jugo-Slavia and Rumania are also watching any move in this direction, as they are opposed to the Turks again securing a foothold in Europe. While the Turks do not possess a anvy they control a swarm of light vessels, and have a call upon some larger ships in

the Black Sea. The Turks are not without support probable, however, along the coast. in their European ambitions. The Disturbance over eastern Carribean Sea. Russo-Angora treaty is understood to bind the Bussians to co-operate Mustapha Kemal in the capture of the of the Black Sea, and the Moscow a it for action all its forces in the C