Provisional Re-

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and it is a won-Soldiers' Home, nerset hospital: farm. H Perkins Louis B Winters, Hes-Gassett, Somer am; Tom Martinis

ing, Grand Rap-Shelbyville, Ky. Dunsmore, Canton, g. Richmond, Ind.; Rapids; Mick P. Rapids; Ephryn Mich.; E. Rain-Mich: Mr. and Mrs. Rapids: Mr and Mrs. PLAN FOR

AGE REDUCTION

"Mr. Johnny you ain't treated me right; you made me out a liar before those agents." Williams said Man-ning told him afterwards. ning told him afterwards.

"They told me I was just as guilty has been secured to carry on the of, peonage as you were," he also quoted the negro as saying.

The last night Preston, Price and Patarson were seen he said they came way (coming under the state highway (coming under the state highway commission) will be completed, to him and said they wanted to visit their homes but would return. They asked for and got five dollars each, he added, and he offered to take them to the train. Charlie Chisholm and Ciyde Manning got fifty cents apiece from him, Williams declared, and went off.

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"That was the last I ever saw of those boys," he said, referring to Pettreson, Price and Preston.

Williams said he asked Manning that it wasn't posteh of anything.

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Williams was talking in a calm, clear voice, and occasionally made a slow gesture as the addressed the latter that the county will construct these two roads for the state, the state highway complete when the train

d. but were leaning ledge when the train train was speeding a sharp curve and lurched against a bing of rock which the combination day loker and the day loker and the day it and smashed in the train train was a smashed in the train tr

I would have had pienty of time to get where they could not put their hands on me," he asserted.

Williams asserted he was "faisely accused" and added "what they done to him (Manning) to make him accuse me, I don't know."

"I did not know what he was going to say until we heard him on the stand," he said.

Williams then went into details of Manning's long employment on the farm.

farm.

Williams said Clyde Manning's mother asked him to take Clyde Manning and others of her children, take care of them, as he said the mother could not control them. He told of paying doctor bills and of trying "to make them do right."

"As far as this case is concerned I am absolutely innocent." continuam absolutely innocent," continu

I am absolutely innocent," continued Williams.

"That's about all I can say," he concluded and left the stand.

Williams in his statement had confined himself solely to the death of the three negroes drowned in Newton county.

The defense rested.

Two State Witnesses Testify.

The last two state witnesses who testified today corroborated statements of Clyde Manning, negro farm boss. Manning told the jury yesterday that Williams directed the killing of themen, three of whom were

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Rena Manning, wife of Clyde Manning's identifying the bodies of rederson, willie Peterson. Willie Present and Harry price were last seen alive Williams carried them alive in Charlie Chrisholius car.

Clyde Manning, megro boss of the Williams farms, the last of four Williams farms, the last of four witnesses put on by the state years hour and would employes, who at come of the peterson in which he mid he assisted at Williams' orders, because the latter said is meant "their necks or yours." According to Manning's statement of the jury, prolonged the sheriff's stay on the witness stand.

Court recessed for luncheon when were assigned to start at the afternoon session, each side to have three speakers. Having introduced no testimony, merely letting Williams tell his story, six of the neurous bound and weighted with rocks and iron, were thrown into rivers near the Williams farm, and five met death either by gunshot or blows from an axe at gross examined.

requiring about eleven miles of work.

It will be finished with an asphalt top. With its completion there will be a hard surface road, asphalt top, all the way from Greensboro to Gibsonville, the Alamance county line.

The High Point Winston - Salem road will be constructed with an

mission having designated then among the first roads on its program to be worked. The county will be feimbursed for this work by the

the hands of the witness and an other farm hand. Efforts of counsel to justice agents from testifying as to alleged peonage conditions on the Williams farm were overruled by the court.
Manning's Wife Testifies

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Rena Manning, wife of Clyde
Manning, the first witness today,
testified briefly in support of her
husband's statement that the night Linsay Peterson, Willie Preston and Harry Price were first seen alive, that Williams took them off in a car. Manning and Charlie Chisholm, another negro, went with them, she added.

them, she added.
"Who told you to tell this?"
Green J. Johnson, counsel for Williams asked repeatedly as he went
over the woman's statements on
cross examination.
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Gullford highway commission. Six-ifrom \$500,000 to \$750,000 was obten miles will be hard surface, asphalt top; five miles hard surface, aspenetration system, and ten miles would not exceed \$50,000.

The abandoned pouch contained made following a joint meeting year indicating a shipment of terday of the county commissioners and the highway commission. It is expected that the contracts will be ten within a very few days. Money has been secured to carry on the sacks consigned to branches of the county in the contracts. The same the golden as the police say, might have been assumed for the occasion. They hope Harris may be able to describe the woman known to him as "Mrs. Fairchild."

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Elwell was found with a bullet hundred \$1,000 bills and five large sacks consigned to branches of the federal reserve bank, each contain-ing five smaller bags, which in turn held gurrency of large denomina-

> The rebbery took place at the Dearborn Street Station in the busineas quarter.
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> Bystanders said the robbery was committed in less than two minutes. So sudden was the assault on the mail truck that many conflict-

ing stories were given to the police by witnesses. According to one account the rob-According to one account the robers had played baseball all afternoon in a lot adjoining the station where the hold-up occurred. Other witnesses said the robbers rushed up to the mail truck in an autonobile just as it was preparing to

The four bandits held up a dozen

mail clerks and several bystanders at the point of pistols, demanding that the registered mail pouch be thrown out of the truck. One of the robbers, described as a huge man carried it to a car across the street.

Two other mail pouches were then taken, the bandits escaping in the automobile. Only one shot was fired, witnesses agreeing that one of the bandits shot at a companion before recognizing him. Whether the builtet took effect was not known.

As the bandit's machine turned took of the bandit's machine turned took of the bandit's machine turned took. As the bandit's machine turned the first corner a policeman fired two shots at the car without effect.

Early today the police found the three mail pouches ripped open and their contents missing, in a scant lot. Wrappers in the registered pouch gave the first indication that a large amount had been obtained.

# SPAIN HAS ALL THE

Washington, April 7.—Spain is apparently shut off as a market for American cotton for the time being, according to Commercial Attache Charles Cunningham, at Madrid, who informed the department of commerce today that Spain was overstocked with cotton and cotton textiles. Under normal circumstances, he declared, Spain would be at this season of the year he able to consume about 286,000 more bales of American cotton, but there is now a surplus which will probably last about six months.

In discussing the purchase of cotton in Spain, Mr. Cunningham said New York has taken the place of Liverpool as a buying center, due to the satablishment of American banks in Spain. Efforts are being made by the British to regain their lost trade, he asserted, best Spanish importers see the advantage of buying their cotton with dollars and making one conversion of exchange instead of two. To meet this situation, Mr. Cunningham said, British banks are giving direct quotations in dollars and frequently at a better rate than American institutions.

Attorney General Declares De-

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found him at 8.30 o'clock on the morning of June 11. He was bare-footed and clad in night clothing.

Harria fixes the time of the shooting of Elwell at shortly after three o'clock in the morning. He also says weighing more than 200 pounds, o'clock in the morning. He also says grasped the sack with one hand and that his alleged pal, Bill Dunkin, carried it to a car across the street, used a small calibre revolver. Elwelks death wound was inflicted by

ous.

Harris also fixes the date of the murder as June 12, whereas it occurred on the morning of June 11.

On the other hand, Harris goes into a wealth of detail in regard to the incidents preceding the murder that indicates, the police say, either knowledge of the crime or a most there are the contract of the came. N HAS ALL THE thoro study of the case.

Harris reiterated today the claim that he had not seen his alleged pal. that he had not seen his alleged pair.
Dunkin, nor the woman, known to him as "Mrs. Fairchild," who is alleged to have hired the pair to slay Elwell, since he received a partial payment of the \$5,000 which they were to receive for committing the murder.

New York detectives familiar with the Elwell case were expected here

the Elwell case were expected here today to question Harris.

Harris was arrested last night on a charge of passing a forged check for \$70 at 8t, Catherines, Ont. He

for \$76 at St. Catherines. Ont. He had been living at a hotel here since Monday with his wife.

Mrs. Harris, or Mrs. Leonard, as she has been known, told the police today that she parted with her husband eight months ago in Syracuse. She said she met her husband here last Saturday and a reconcilation was effected. Mrs. Harris said her husband frequently talked of New York acquaintances.

# SITUATION IN UNITED KINGDOM **GROWS MORE SERIOUS: NO SIGN** OF STRIKE SETTLEMENT NOW

# SUPPORT THE MINERS

Proposed Conference Between Miners and Operators Today Has Been Called Off

MINES BEING DAMAGED

Back Pending Conference, Bu This Was Refused By the Min-ers; Naval Units Held in liness By Government

rators Wanted Pump Men to Go

reak-up of the conference between representatives of the miners, the owners and the government, with the view to settling the coal strike, was announced in the house of ommons by Premier Lloyd George

London, April 7.—Leaders of the miners' union, who conferred with Prime Minister Lloyd George this orning, refused to order pump men d engineers into mines affected by he coal strike to resume work pend negotiations with the mine own-As the result of this refusal miners and their employers will

of meet today. Leaders of the Transport Work-re' Federation, which already has lecided to support the miners, met this morning, but adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon in order that they might learn the result of the conference of the miners and the prime minister before deciding what form the support will take.

Railway Men to Support Miners.

London, April 7.—The National
Union of Railway Men today unanimously decided to support the coal

miners in their strike.

Naval Units Held for Duty.

Queenstown, Ireland, April 7.—

Naval units here and at other home Naval units here and at other home ports have been instructed, as a result of the strike of British miners, to hold themselves in readiness for emergency service. Shore leave hus been custailed and naval officials view the situation as being filled with the gravest possibilities.

The question of shifting large numbers of crown forces in Ireland to England, if disorders ensue, has been fully considered. Officials,

of these were brought into the case in the investigation which followed the murder. None of them were named "Fairchild." This name, the police say, might have been assumed for the occasion. They hope Harris may be able to describe the woman known to him as "Mrs. Fairchild." and in this event they may be able to establish her identity.

The alleged confession of Harris asserting that a woman hired two men to kill Elwell is practically the only theory of the crime which had never been advanced.

Elwell was found with a bullet through his head in a room of the reception hall of his residence. He was still alive when his housekeeper found him at \$.30 o'clock on the the Firth of Fourth have been given sleeping berths on board the battle-ships Crescent and Rosyth. Double guards have been placed on all cais-

footed and clad in night clothing. He died several hours later without uttering a word that would lead to the identity of his assailant. One opened letter and several others, unopened, lay on his lap when the housekeeper found him. No revolver was found in the room.

Story Does Not Tally.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 7—Altho Roy Harris, alias Geb Leonard, had not deviated from the original story of his alleged part in the murder last June of Eugene Elwelf, the wealthy New York turfman and clubman, after a careful ingestigation of his confession, it is found that it does not tally with some facts about the murder last tally with some facts about the murder last tally with some facts about the murder.

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The commission, which began its sessions here Monday, completed the draft of its report at an executive session this morning, and im-mediately went to the White House o Present it to the president. Mr Harding will pass finally upon the recommendations.

Col. F. W. Galbraith, Jr., com-mander of the American Legion, was appointed as a committee of one having charge of the publication of the report. He said it would be givout late today for publication in morning papers of tomorrow. Members of the commission said it con formed in the main with summaries already published.

Daugherty Says Reports Show **Building Material Situation** Is "Intolerable"

Washington, April 7.—Investiga-tion of illegal practices in the build-ing material trades is to be underaken at once in all parts Jountry where necessary, Attorney Jeneral Daugherty announced. Reports from these sections of the country are that the building material situation is "intolerable."
Mr. Daugherty said, and that the
department of justice desires to epartment of justice desires to ontribute in any way it can to im-

last Saturday and a reconcilation was effected. Mrs. Harris said her huse band frequently talked of New York acquaintances.

Thief P. O. Inspector Named Washington, April 7.—President Harding today appointed Rush D. Simmons of Wisconsin, chief Inspector in the course of the postoffice department. The new chief has been inspector in regard themselves as agents of the charge at the Chicago pest office for the law.

# **CHARLES IS BACK**

Hungarian Premier Considers Incident Closed; Says Shows Stability of Government

Budapest, April 7 .- Reports that former Emperor Charles has reach ed Switzerland have been received here and his arrival in that coun try is considered by Count Albert Apponyi, Hungarian premier, as closing the incident arising from the illstarred attempt of Charles to rinstate himself as king of Hungary. In conversation with the Associated Press yesterday the premier expressed the opinion that Charles was duped by a colossal hoax—the work of foreigners for the purpose of promoting some design not understood here."

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"This regrettable incident which is now over," the premier continued, "at least proved the stability of the Hungarian state. Hungarians did not share in the pict to restore Charles to his former royal estate, for even the most ardent Carlists were unadvised of the former monarch's arrival in this county.

"Long experience in Hungarian political life enables me to forecast the incident will not have serious consequences. Although Magyare are boisterous they are fundamentally patriots in difficult hours. There will be no long discussion of the incident, nor will an inquiry be made before which they would injure the interests of Hungary. In my opinion there is a strong sentiment for Charles among the people who would have halled his return if it had not involved danger of foreign occupation."

its next meeting, the state highway commission adjourned today.
Some definite step towards road
building will be determined upon at
the next meeting for by that time it is predicted that arrangements will have been made by the treasury for selling some state bonds. The commission accepts the resignation of W. S. Fallis, highway engineer but his successor was not announce

# JURY TO GET EXPRESS ROBBERY CASE FRIDAY

Macon, Ga., April 7.—Federal Judge Beverty D. Evans will deliver his charge to the jury tomorrow morning in the cases of 45 men on trial here on charges of compiracy to rob the American Railway Express Company of more than \$1,000,000 worth of merchandise. 000 worth of merchandise.

United States District Attorney
John W. Bennett will start the closing argument late this afternoon and
will be given two hours tomorraw
morning in which to close the government's case.

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Defense arguments were continued when court was convened at 9.36 o'clock this morning with Attorney Oliver Hancock speaking. He began by an analysis of the evidence against his two clients, J. N. Smith and H. L. Rucker.

City Man in Office

COL. TOM MILLER SAYS SO

(By PARKER ANDERSON.) Washington, April 7 .- All doubt to whom will control the federal patronage in North Carolina was imipated Wednesday when Co Tom W. Miller, allen prop ustodian, announced that he had elected Col. Ike Meeking, of 201 both City as his chief assistant of after John M. Morehad of Charlotte and Frank a Linney, of B had recommended the Elizabe

Because of the fact that former Senator Marion M. Butler had distributed the recent statem Col. Meekins, regarding his able appointment as assistant to Col. Miller, many Tar Heels had as-sumed that John Morehead would have a fight to control federal pa-

tronage in the state. Replying specifically to exclusive stories in this correspondence Col. Miller, who by the way or as a private in the American arm of eccupation, and returned to America as a colonel after go over the top many times, told yo correspondent today that he no idea of interferring with fed patronage is North Carolina. John Morehead is the recogn leader and boss of North Caro patronage and that Col. Mee was selected and appointed after had secured the recommendation the Charlotte national commitman.

WILD CAT STOCKS

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One Company Using Ex-Commissioner R. F. Beasley's

Name As an Officer

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Rhleigh, April I--An Intensive campaign contemplated by the state desiration of instruction of instruc

Daily Telegraph Upholds E land's Act in Mesopotami Oil Fields

London, April that the position of Great I relative to the exploitation oil fields in Mesopetamia is derstood in the United State pressed by The Daily Towhich says that as a result present situation the Britisernment has not received a for the policy it has pursu newspaper, which stands commending the course in the sas April 7.—Appre ommending the his country in the his country in the hatween Lendon