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A slip or gown is always appreciated. We have plenty of the tailored slips in white or season, and the extra summer tearose at \$1.98, \$2.95 or \$3.95. traffic as reasons for employ-Also gowns in printed crepe or sheer bemberg materials at \$2.95 to \$5.95.

A real special value just in time for Mother's Day is the Dorothy Perkins regular \$2.00 Woodspice Powder and Cologne combination in attractive gift box. Now just \$1.25 per set for a limited time.

A pair of Van Raalte gloves might solve your gift problem, if so they are here in white, brown or black at \$1.00, \$1.50 or \$2.00 per pair.

If she likes to read, check our book department. There are hundreds of novels, mystery and detective stories, cloth bound, reprints of \$2.00 to \$3.00 books at 59c each, and you can pay 1c more and get another book— 2 for 60c. Also there are Bibles in cloth or leather bindings from 25c to \$10.00.

Mother would like an Eversharp Kimberly Pockette Pen in one of the pastel shades-it will fit in her handbag . . . it does not leak and with the chrome band it is just \$4.95. No federal

so many beautiful patterns now and its only 59c a yard in either the Main Floor or Basement Store piece goods depts.

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Dept. Store

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1948 | here for that work this month. The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian

Murray Is Now Stationed With Navy At Charleston

Fred Joseph Murray, chief hospital corpsman, U. S. navy, is now serving with the Charleston group, Atlantic Reserve fleet, at Charleston, S. C., and is 'engaged in the inactivating of surplus navy ships, according to an announcement received here, Mr. Murray is the son of and Mrs. Frank I. Murray, of Franklin; and is the hus-band of Mrs. Edna R. Murray.

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and Hal Zachary, among those who had complained about the ence's closing of the road, were present at the meeting.

The suggestion that a policeman be employed made by Officers C. D. Baird and Tom Phillips. They cited the work of looking after the parking meters, the privilege taxes to be collected at this ing an additional man, at least during the summer. It also was brought out that an additional man would have to be employed for 28 days to give the two men their annual vacations.

In response to a question from Alderman E. J. Whitmire as to the amount of revenue the parking meters are yielding, it was said that they are now collecting about \$185 a week, half of which the town receives, the other half going to the meter manufacturers as purchase payments. Mr. Whitmire suggested that, on a year-round basis, the town's share probably would just about pay an additional policeman, and he made the point that the officers should not be required to work 12 hours a day, as they now are. He moved that the matter be taken under advisement, but action postponed the motion, seconded by alderman Erwin Patton, carried.

Action of levying privilege taxes for the next fiscal year was postponed until the June meeting.

M. L. Dowdle appeared before the board to raise the question Another always appreciated gift would be a dress pattern of 80 square Percale. There are Tangement with the Asheville Paving company called for that firm to place the surface on the street when they resurface Main street under a state contract. The concern announced sometime ago it they would be

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on the street, when a base was laid, left it in little better condition than it Aiderman L. Phillips explained that addition-

al stone is to be laid, and that the street is then to be surfaced with one and a half inches of "hot mix" Vice-mayor W. C. Burrell presided in the absence of Mayor T. W. Angel, Jr., who was out

At a called meeting held Thursday of last week, the board approved the applications for on-premises beer licenses of

work

tone

was before.

Mrs. J. E. Perry, Lester Arnold, Mrs. Cora Reid, Clyde Sanders,

Mr. Dowdle said the recent United States harvested an alltime record wheat crop last world production breadgrains (wheat and rye) was below the 1935-39 average. The 1947 wheat crop was three

> Mrs. Clara Morgan, K. F. Montague, W. D. Gunnin, Parker Norton, Fred Cabe, and Roy L.

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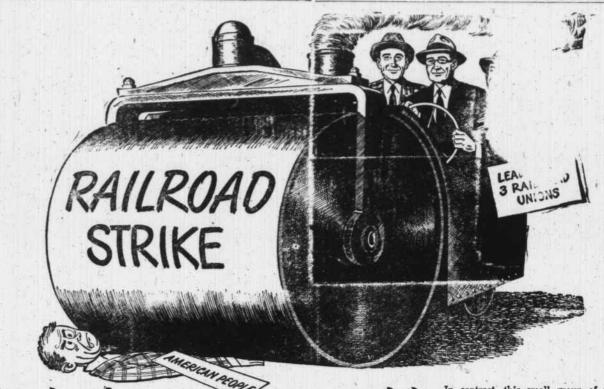
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4/4" Maple, Green, Rough cut 1-1/8" Thick 4/4" Poplar, Green, Rough cut 1-1/8" Thick

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See Dave Angel, Franklin, N. C.



Look who gets squeez Union leaders representing less than one-tenth of railroad employes

reject recommendations of President's Emergency board-refuse to

negotiate except on their own terms—threaten to paralyze nation by strike! THE LEADERS of three railroad unions, representing less than one-tenth of all railroad employees, have called a railroad strike that would paralyze the nation.

These leaders refuse to accept a 15½ cents an hour wage increase retroactive to Novem-ber 1, 1947. This increase was recommended

ber 1, 1947. This increase was recommended by an impartial Emergency Board appointed by President Truman.

This increase of 15½ cents already has been accepted by the 19 other railroad unions. But the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, and the Switchmen's Union of North America won't accept what more than 90% of all railroad employes have accepted. They have called a strike to get more!

Unions refuse rules discussion

Certain rules changes demanded by these union leaders—which would increase wages still further—were recommended by the Board. But the union leaders want more—they demand that the railroads put into effect ALL the changes they asked for, including those the Board felt should be denied.

On top of this, they insist that certain rules changes proposed by the railroads be withdrawn—in spite of the fact that the Board recommended them! These union leaders have refused to negotiate except upon these arbitrary terms.

Greater wage increase not justified

Engineers and firemen are among the high-est paid of all employes in America, as figures in the box show. This strike threat doesn't

justify giving a greater increase than other sulroad workers received.

Emergency Boards are a means provided by the Railway Labor Act in the public interest to avoid strikes. The President's Deard,

after hearing evidence for 33 days, made recommendations based on all the facts in the case. The railroads have accepted these

Who's to blame?

Although they deplored so large an extra cost burden, the railroads accepted the report of the Board because they felt it was in the pub-lic interest to uphold the spirit and intent of the Hailway Labor Act.

In contrast, this small group of railroad union leaders are attempting to flout the intent and spirit of the Railway Labor Act, and dictate their own terms.

They have dictated a paralyzing railroad

You will be the victim!

How long will the American public stand for the undemocratic, arbitrary, and abusive use of the right to strike and the disregard of the obligation to provide transportation? How long can the American people permit a few dictatorial union leaders to defy the processes provided for peaceful settlement of disputes?

of disputes?

Force seldom produces settlements that are either fair or lasting. Moreover, a point is often reached when personal interests must be held subordinate to the greater public welfare. That is why the railroads have accepted the Emergency Board recommendations. That is also why the leaders of these three unions should reconsider their decision to call a paralyzing strike.

Compare these wages with what you make!

Here is a comparison of average annual earnings of engineers and fireman for 1929 (pre-war) and 1947. Also shown is what 1947 earnings would have been if the 15½ cents per hour increase, offered by the railroads and rejected by the union leaders, had been in effect throughout the entire year 1947.

1947 Average Annual Earnings with Wage Road Freight \$3,968
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