23 LOSE LIVES IN SCHOOL FIRE

EIGHTEEN OTHER INMATES IN SERIOUS CONDITION AS RE-SULT OF FLAMES.

Los Angles, Calf.—Ashes of the Hope Development school for sub-normal children at Playa Del Rey, 18 miles form here, on the ocean beach, yielded the burned remains of 23 persons as the result of a tragic fire.

Eighteen others, inmates of the school, are in a serious condition at St. Catherine's hospital in Santa Monica, a few miles away. The dead ranged in age from 4 to 48.

The three story structure, reclaim-ed from an abandoned building in the deserted pleasure-resort town many years ago, was declared by investigators to have been an isolated, unprotected fire trap. All that re-mains of it is a brick chimney, twisted iron pipes and ashes.

Thirty-eight children were housed within the private institution when flames burst out. In addition there were in the building the matron, Mrs. J. C. Thomas and Wilfred Ringer, 14year-old adopted son of the proprietor, Mrs. Mary E. Jacobs. The matron and the boy perished.

A family of beach picnicers noticed the flames and gave the alarm. Before fire apparatus could arrive from Venice, the building was a mass of

One of the first rescue squads to arrive was a staff of nurses, from St. Catherine's hospital in Santa Monica. They were instrumental in rescuing 18 partment. children, all of whom were suffering from fumes. Six children were treated for minor injuries.

Cotton Crop Month Behind.

New York.-Reports on the cotton crop for the month of May, received from more than 1,700 competent correspondents of the Journal of Commerce, under an average date of May 27, indicate that none of the hopedfor improvement has taken place. On the contrary, weather conditions have been extremely unfavorable, sa that the crop is not much further advanced than it was a month ago.

Unseasonably low temperatures, heavy rains, hail storms and high winds have all combined to retard germination or else kill young cotton; hence over wide areas farmers have been obliged to plow under and replant a large proportion of their cotton. In some sections of nearly all cotton producing states so little cotton is up that no attempt has been made (in these localities) to estimate percentage condition.

For the entire belt per cent condition is placed at 4.4 per cent against 71.0 per cent last year an a ten year average of 75.1 per cent. The season for the states as a group averages sixteen days late as against fifteen days last year.

Poincare Tenders His Resignation. Paris.—Raymond Poincare, who has reached the floor of the house. held the premiership of two and a half years, tendered his resignation and that of his ministry

to President Millerand.

At the same time the new chamber met in a stormy atmosphere amid recriminations, menaces and warnings, and began its record by creating a presidential crisis. The more patient and cooler headed leaders of the new majority, overwhelmed by their impatient, impetuous, aggressive followers, failed to prevent the outburst, which in the judgment of the most competent and impartial judges of the situation makes it impossible for Mr. Millerand to remain long in the French white house.

Spokesmen representing Elysee Palace, say that the president will yield only to a formal vote by both houses of parliament, and, further that he will retire voluntarily only under three conditions, namely, if the Ruhr is evacuated, if the new political situation in France brings on a conflict in the interior, or if the new chamber fails to protect the franc.

Stitches in Heart Makes Recovery. Charleston, S. C.-Stabbed in the heart during a fight last month, Ernest Frazier, 20-year-old Charleston youth has completely recovered from a halfinch knife wound in that vital organ, although several stitches were taken in his throbbing heart, according to

Roper hospital. A remarkable operation was performed, following which he was threat-ened with complications but gradually improved and after 44 days was discharged. The case attracted the attention of the state medical society. abers of which examined Frazier but pronounced him sound in every

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announcements by attendants at the

Immigrants Filling Jalle on Border streal Bootleg traffic in immiis, smuggled by automobile across the Quebec border into the United tates, has reached such proportions hat jails in northern New York, Vergent, New Hampshire and Maine are illing up with allows incligible for adaptation, J. R. Clark, a United States

FIVE ARE KILLED BY SOUTHERN TRAIN.

Zebulon, Ga.-Five persons were killed outright and a sixth, a small child, was probably fatally injured when a light touring car in witch they were riding was struck by the Southern Railway passenger train No. 22, at a crossing here. The dead are:

Sam Stuart, 40; Mrs. Sam Stuart, 32; Mrs. Clyde W. Hillard, 25, and her eight months old baby, Lucille, all of Hampton, Ga. Ronelle, two and one-half year old daughter of Mrs. Hillard, is in an Atlanta hospital and little hope is entertained for her recovery.

The fatal crash occurred in full view of Staurt's brother and young-

NAVAL BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

MEASURE PROVIDES EIGHT SCOUT CRUISERS, SIX RIVER GUNBOATS.

Washington.-The house passed pill designed to bring the American pavy up to the 5-5-3 ratio fixed by the Washington arms conference. vote was 166 to 138.

As sent to the senate, the measure would authorize construction of eight scout cruisers, six river gunboats and extensive improvements to six battleships at a total estimated cost of \$111,000,000.

The measure was introduced by Chairman Butler, of the naval committee at the request of the navy de-

An unsuccessful effort was made by Representative Britten, of Illinois, ranking republican on the naval committee, to provide \$6,500,000 for the elevation of guns on 13 battleships. The proposal was opposed by Chairman Butler who declared it would tion. violate the arms conference treaty. It was rejected, 74 to 54.

An amendment by Representative Montague, democrat, Virginia, to authorize the President to suspend the building program should another naval limitations conference be held, was accepted.

A motion by Representative Mc-Clintic, democrat, Oklahoma, to eliminate the section authorizing the cruiser and gunboat program was lost 174 to 144. The house also refused to accept a proposal by Representative McKeown, democrat, Oklahoma, to strike out an authorization of six gunboats, which would be used in Chinese

rivers. Contrary to the expectation of some members no effort was made to amend the bill to authorize the construction of two additional airplane carriers. In defending his gun elevation amendment, Mr. Britten asserted that the treaty did not restrict such changes in armament, and that under its provisions the "tops could be taken from the turrets," if desired. He criticised Mr. Butler for not announcing his opposition to the amendment before it

SOUTHERN MILL OWNERS MEET IN ATLANTIC CITY.

Atlantic City, N. J .- The second and concluding day of the twenty-eighth annual convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers association at the Hotel Traymore here was featured by the adoption of a number of resolutions relative to the problems of the industry and the election of officers for the ensuing year. After adjournment of the convention there was a meeting of the national council at which the matter of foferign imports of cotton goods was considered more

in detail. A. W. McLellan, of New Orleans La., vice president for the last year, was elected president, and upon assuming the chair made a few remarks regarding his administration for the ensuing year. W. J. Vereen, of Moultrie, Ga., was elected first vice president, and Samuel F. Patterson, of Roanoke Rapids, N. C., second vice president. Winston D. Adams, of Charlotte, was re-elected secretary-

The following were named as memers of the board of governors: Representing Maryland - Howard Baetjer, of Baltimore, (re-elected). Representing Virginia—H. R. Fitz-gerald, Danville (re-elected).

Representing North Carolina-Arther M. Dixon, Gastonia, (new member). Representing South Carolina-J. C.

Evans, Spartanburg. (new member). Representing Georgia to serve the unexpired term of R. C. Freeman, dereased-H. L. Williams, of Columbus. Council of American Cotton Manufacturers, succeeding John A. Law, of my next Wednesday, it was announced Spartanburg, S. C., was B. E. Geer, of Greenville, S. C.

21 Dead in Alabama. Birmingham, Ala.—Alabama's death oil in the tornado of Tuesday was aced at 21, with belated reports that Mrs. J. L. Cofield was killed 13 miles vest of Hamilton, Ala., in Marion county, when her home was demolishd. Her husband, son, Prine Cofield nd grandson, W. C. Coffeld, were ser-

those injured and rendered homoless. This was especially true near Empire a Walker county.

COOLIDGE SPEAKS ON WORLD PEACE

NO MATERIAL CHANGES TO HARD. ING PLAN WOULD BE SUPPORTED.

Washington.-Further limitation of armaments and American adherence with reservations to the world court created under the league of nations were set up by President Coolidge as his goals in the field of foreign affairs.

Speaking at the Memorial day exercises at Arlington, the President renewed his advocacy of the Harding-Hughes plan for American membership in the permanent court of international justice, and declared the ideal of mutual covenants by the nations limiting their military establishments "should be made practical as fast as possible."

The President gave notice that he would not oppose other reservations to the court protocol than those proposed by President Harding and Secretary Hughes but would not support any material changes which would the many other signatory nations." ican adherence provided the nations now members of the court agree to buildings. separate the tribunal from the league.

The two goals outlined by Mr. Cooldge were declared by persons close to upon which he will stand in the coming campaign. Combined with these the Prseident, it was said, will place emphasis upon extension of a loan to Germany by private American interests with governmental encouragement with a view to carrying out the Dawes plan for European rehabilita-

An attempt to make American en trance into the world court contingent on separation of the court from the league of nations would be impracticable and unworthy of American principles and traditions, the President said, after showing that the union of the states had been based on renunciation of certain liberties and assumption of new duties and obligations in order to obtain greater benefits.

Racers Make Record-Breaking Time. Indianapolis, Ind .- The annual 500mile race at the Indianapolis motor speedway produced record-breaking time for the great gasoline classic and brought honors to race drivers-Joe Boyer, of Detroit, and L. L. Corum, of Indianapolis. To Boyer goes the credit for bringing the winning car across the will go the rich cash prices of approx- were probably in the debris. imately \$30,000.

developed trouble, piloted the winning to be enveloped in flames. ed with victory, and therefore is entitled to the prize money. Boyer and Corum were team mates driving Indianapolis made Wuesenberg specials.

One Dead, \$200,000 Loss in Storm, Richmond, Va.-John H. Parks, farmer of Accomac county met with death in an electric storm which did damage to crops and buildings of this section estimated at over \$200,000. Parks was caught between two beams of his barn when it was demolished by winds which attained the velocity of a tornado.

The storm was accompanied by ly as large as hen eggs. The strawdestroyed by the hall and rain, and disinfectant ignited. constitutes the greatest loss, though other crops suffered and many buildings were wiped out.

Poincare Cabinet to Resign. Paris.-The last full cabinet council of the Poincare Government, with President Millerand presiding, place at the Palace of the Elysee. The Government will meet again in council but the meeting will occur at the foreign office and Premier Poincare alone will be entrusted with the task of going to the Presidential residence to present the collective resignation of the cabinet.

Morgan Leads Navy Seniors Annapolis, Md.—Armand M. Morgan, of Washington, D. C., is the "honor Elected member of the National man" of the class of midshipmen to be graduated from the Naval Acade ed. Robert S. Katcher, of San Antonio, Texas, stands next.

Charleston Boy One of Four Drowne Daytona, Fla.,-Wesley Calvert an Clyde Reese, young sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Reese, of this city, and James Kennedy, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kennedy, of Charleston, S. C., who is here visiting his unt, were drowned in the Halifax

low water. In returning to the shore at a point a short distance from the place at which they entered the water, they stepped into a deep channel recently dredged.

MISSISSIPPI TORNADO. KILLS THREE, INJURES 2

Greenville, Miss .- Three negroes were killed and twelve persons were injured when a tornado demolished 11 buildings on the plantation of W. B. Swain, 15 miles east of

So far as is known, the injured. some of whom may die, all were negroes. Those who were killed, Richard Rodney and Emma Williams, met death when their home was wrecked.

The twister caused considerable damage to the plantation, killing livestock and wrecking farm buildings. It cut a narrow path across the plantation, missing the Swain home by half a mile.

TORNADOES TAKE 39

TWENTY TO TWENTY-FIVE ARE BELIEVED TO BE KILLED IN MISSISSIPPI.

Atlanta, Ga .- Still maimed and in the shadow of the devastating series not probably receive the consent of of tornadoes of less than a month ago. rural Alabama and Mississippi were His declaration was interpreted gen- stricken by a second stormy visitation. erally as opposition to the plan of and at a late hour were taking toll the republican majority of the senate of their dead and injured and the unforeign relations committee for Amer- estimated thousands of dollars damage done to farms and homes and

Available advices from the torn dis tricts place the loss of life in Alabama at 19; and in Mississippi at 20 him to be the major foreign policies to 25. Reports of many other fatalities, if confirmed, will greatly increase the casualty list of that state. In Alabama more than 30 persons were injured, some fatally, and many seriously, while Mississippi, with more than 50 injured already reported, probably will be hardest hit, when complete news of the whirling destruction comes in on restored wires.

Already organizations of mercy are on the scenes, rendering what aid is possible in the stricken areas. The southern division of the Red Cross has a division representative in the Mississippi distrct, and varous other relief agencies are at work caring for the hundreds of homeless or making preparations for succoring the communities. The Red Cross here received an urgent call for tents and cots from Greenville, and stated they were prepared to meet all requests received.

SIX MEN LOSE LIVES IN NEWARK HOTEL FIRE.

Newark, N. J .- Six men are known finish line, while to Corum, who was to have died in a fire which destroyin the driver's seat of the victorious ed the Windsor Hotel on Halsey car as it flashed away at the start, street. Firemen said other bodies

A policeman reported seeing there Boyer, who retired when his own car men come to a fire escape door, only

machine over the last 233 miles, but The hotel is a four-story frame W. D. Edenburn, representative of structure with tire shops on the street contest board of the American Auto- floor. A dense black smoke which

of Newark's automobile district. Many of the roomers are believed to have been connected with a circus which is showing here .

The fire broke out on the third and fourth floors almost at the same time with flames shooting from several windows. The blaze spread throughout the building by the time the firemen arrived and second and third alarms brought 40 streams of water pouring onto the flames .

Police have in their possession tin can which is said to have figured cloud bursts and a heavy downpour in the cause of the blaze, it being reof hail stones, said to have been near- ported that a man in the hotel going up stairs with a can of disinfectant berry crop, which was at the peak of and smoking a cigarette, threw the movement was apparently completely can the length of the stairs when the

> Postal Clerk Salary Bill Passed. Washington.-Carrying the Borah amendment for full publicity of political contributions during the progress of campaigns, the postal salary increase bill was passed by the Senate.

The vote was 73 to 3, those opposing being Senators Borah, Idaho, and Fess and Willis, Ohio, all Republicans.

The measures, which would increase the salaries of 300,000 postal employes by an average of \$200 each annually, now goes to the House, where a bill of somewhat different terms' is

The estimated increase of \$60,000. 00, in postal expenses which would be entialed by the Senate Bill would be met by the "normal increase in business," the Senate was told by Senator Edge, Republican, of New Jersey, who had charge of it.

Family of Eight Killed. Birmingham; Ala.—Nineteen per one were killed and 28 injured by the tornado which struck Alabama. All are white persons.

A family of eight persons were com-pletely wiped out when their house collapsed near Elkmont in Limestone county. All of the other deaths oc-curred near Empire in Walker coun-ty. All but one member of a family of nine were killed there. Eight per-sons were injured when the twister strack Etowah county.

JAP PROTEST IS

DECODING MESSAGE OCCUPIES JAPANESE EMBASSY FOR A

DAY. '

Washington.-A formal communication from the Japanese government protesting against the exclusion section of the new immigration law reached the Japanese embassy here for transmission to Secretary Hughes.

Decoding occupied embassy officials throughout the day, and the document had not been presented at the state department nor had any appointment been made with the secretary of Ambassador Hanihara when the depart ment closed for the day.

At the embassy no information as to the nature of the protest was forthcoming. State department officials also maintained silence. The question of making public the protest will be considered by Secretary Hughes and Ambassador Hanibara after the latter formally places the note before the American government. The only explanation thus far available as to the form and substance of the Japanese communication is that carried in press dispatches, which have reported that the Tokio government regards the exclusion provision as "discriminatory," and in violation of a commercial treaty.

There is little doubt that administration officials will take the position that the exclusion legislation in no way volates treaty obligation with Japan, either specific or general in character. They also are firm in their insistance that immigration policies fall entirely within democratic jurisdiction.

Whatever statement the Japanese government finds it necessary to make, however, will be received by the Washington government in a spirit of complete friendliness, and with a desire to do everything possible to promote good relations consistent with the maitnenance of American sovereignty. The desire of President Coolidge and his advisors is to make it clear to the people of Japan that neither the Washington government nor the American people cherish any but the most friendly sentiments towards Japan.

Alleged Plot to Bomb Consulate. Tokio.-Discovery of an alleged Korean plot to bomb the American and British consulate in Seoul (Korea) is causing some uneasiness there, press dispatches indicate:

Semi-official confirmation has been made to a report that special guards have been posted at the American consulate.

It is said that the guard will be kept there for the present. It is learned that the United States consul has been advised directly of the alleged plot.

Students Win Handsome Prizes. New York.-Winners in the American chemical society's prize essay mobile association, declared that un-der the rules Corum would be cerdit-men. The hotel is located in the heart New York city, were announced at the national headquarters of the committee in charge here, and 294 \$20 gold pieces were forwarded to school authorities for distribution among successful competitors. An equal number of high school students were accorded certificates of honorable mention as having submitted the second

best essay. The announcement followed the receipt of the returns from local committees in the 48 states and the District of Columbia, and the 294 winning essays were entered in the national contest which is under the control of a committee of judges headed by Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce.

W. S. Alexander Dies in Michigan. Charlotte, N. C .- Walter S. Alexander, one of the most prominent business and real estate men of Charlotte and North Carolina, died at a sanatorium in Battle Creek, Mich., where he had been for some time, according to telegrams received here by relatives and business associates. Mrs. Alexander and J. B. Alexander of Charlotte, a brother, were at the dside when the end came.

Mr. Alexander, who would have een 66 years old a week from next lunday, had been in failing health for several months. He had not been very strong for perhaps three years, but his health did not begin to fail rapidly until six or eight months ago. He was able to be out on the stre of Charlotte up until two and a half or three months ago. Mr. Alexander suffered a heart attack about two months ago at the Selwyn hotel here where he made his residence, and soon thereafter went to the sanatorium is Battle Creek.

Negro Slain After Killing Sheriff. Tampa, Fla.-Henry Ward, 40 wn marshal and deputy sheriff, of Wildwood, Marion county, is defrom a negro desperado's bullet, and the next. Homer Williams, also is dead, shot to death by a posse when he berricaded himself and defied pursuit after killing the officer. The kill-

occurred at Wildwood. he negro from a train. The neg-irew a pistol and shot the officer he side, death being instantaneous.

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