

Weather Forecast
Fair Tuesday and Wednesday.
Little change in temperature.

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Good Morning—
Flatterers only lift a man up,
as the eagle does the tortoise, to
get something by his fall.—Felix.

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21 ARE KILLED IN HEAD ON COLLISION; ENGLISH AND IRISH REACH AGREEMENT

TWO TRAINS ON READING SMASH IN A CURVED CUT

Victims Burned Alive
As They Are Trapped
In Wooden Cars

FAULT OF AN ENGINEER

Believed To Have Over-
Run Orders Going In-
to Philadelphia

(By Associated Press)

Philadelphia, Dec. 5.—Twenty-one persons lost their lives today and 25 more injured are in hospitals, as a result of a head on collision between two passenger trains on the Newton branch of the Philadelphia & Reading railway about 16 miles north of Philadelphia. Fourteen bodies were recovered and seven of the injured are in a hospital. All were residents of towns along the Newton branch of Philadelphia.

Most of the victims perished in the flames which broke out almost immediately after the crash for both trains consisted of wooden coaches. Rescuers were obliged to stand helpless at the top of the cut where the crash occurred while the victims, smothered in the wreckage, shrieked as the flames tortured them.

Was In a Deep Cut

An outbound train from Philadelphia ran into an inbound train from Newton, in this cut which is 35 feet deep, narrow and curved. Its sides were covered with snow and ice and it was with the greatest difficulty that the injured were dragged to the top.

Several of the charred bodies had not been identified tonight and it was thought possible that more might be in the mass of wreckage.

A statement from the railway of Newton said the accident seemed to be due to train 115, that from Philadelphia, "overrunning its order." An investigation has been started by the railway, another has been ordered by the state, while county officials have announced that they will conduct a third.

Engineer Made Mistake

The cut is situated between the Woodmont and Papermills stations. The road is single tracked. The northbound train makes no stops between South Hampton and Bryn Athyn. The outbound train usually waits on a siding for it to pass. The engineer is said to have waited ten minutes and when a local that was late passed to have assumed it to be the other and proceeded. The curve with its steep rocky walls hid each oncoming train from the engineer of the other. In the middle of the cut the two locomotives crashed. That of the northbound train rose in the air and then toppled backwards, falling upside down over the tracks. The southbound locomotive veered to the east and wedged itself in between the rock wall and the wreckage.

Aid was summoned from nearby stations and ambulances, wrecking crews and fire companies hastened to the scene. A special train was sent out by the Reading officials with ropes and blankets, but the uninjured passengers and the country folks had accomplished nearly all the rescue work when they arrived.

EASTERN STARS TO MEET

Palatka Chapter No. 33 O. E. S. will hold their regular meeting tonight. All members are urged to attend. Visitors are welcomed.

COUNTY BOARD IS NOT READY TO ACT ON BRIDGE MATTER

Adjourns After Brief Ses-
sion Following Pay-
ing Bills

LET BRIDGE CONTRACTS

Much Concerned at Cost
Bills But See No
Remedy

No action was taken at yesterday's session of the Board of County Commissioners on the matter of a revision of tolls on the St. Johns river bridge, it being decided to delay this matter until another meeting. Commissioner Burt submitted figures showing that all records for collection of tolls on the bridge were broken during the month of November, a total of \$1,855.90 being collected.

The board opened bids for the construction of two bridges on the road between Bostwick and Bardin across Etoniah and Sims creeks. Some time ago the post office department advised the commissioners that unless these bridges were constructed it would be forced to discontinue the rural route in that section. The contract for building the bridges was awarded to J. H. Conway for \$1,690. Two other bids were submitted, the next lowest, by Mattox & Roberts being \$2,900 and the highest by Mullis Bros., being \$3,600.

Much Concern at Costs

The board was much concerned at the cost bills submitted in criminal cases, a majority of which were for snow birds taken from incoming freight trains. These men, when arrested and tried, proved to be elephants on the hands of the community. Captain Grainger asked that no more of them be sent to him as he could do nothing with them and keeping them without any return to the county for their keep was a burden. Costs in the cases of this nature during the last month approximated \$300, but the board decided that it could do nothing toward relieving the situation.

It was stated that special agents of the Atlantic Coast Line usually spotted these men before they got to Green Cove Springs and from that point telegraphed ahead for officers here to meet the train and take the yags off. In this way there was quite an accumulation here. Captain Grainger already has 38 good workers on the gang and hasn't sufficient guard force to properly care for all of them.

The board discussed the labor situation at some length but took no action, and adjourned after approving bills.

HOTEL MAN TO MAKE RACE AGAINST MITCHELL

(By Associated Press)
St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—Frank S. Pulver, hotel owner was nominated for mayor in the white primary today by a majority of 162 votes over S. D. Harris, former member of the state legislature. Pulver will oppose Mayor Noel A. Mitchell in the general election to be held December 20.

Mitchell was recalled at a recent election but has announced his candidacy for reelection. He refused to enter the primary.

George W. Fitch, E. C. Beach and C. W. Blanc the other candidates today finished in the order named.

TWO LYNCHED AND ONE SHOT BY GEORGIA MOB

(By Associated Press)
Watkinsville, Ga., Dec. 5.—Roy Grove and Wes Hale, negroes, were taken from their homes near Snow Mill, in Oconee county, late last night and lynched and Aaron Birdsong, who is alleged to have shot and wounded two white men, was shot

STRIKE IN MEAT PENS UNCOVERS BIG LIARS

Unions Claim 41,000 In
Walkout and Packers
Say 2,000

NO TROUBLE IN CHICAGO

But Martial Law May Be
Declared in Kansas
City, Kan.

(By Associated Press)

Chicago, Dec. 5.—At the close of the first day of the strike of packing house workers union officials announced that 41,000 workmen in packing houses throughout the country were on strike while spokesmen for the packers asserted Chicago plants were operating with full forces while plants in other centers all continued work.

More than 12,000 workers employed by the Big Five in Chicago walked out today, according to Dennis Lane, secretary of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butchers workers of North America.

Spokesmen for the Big Five gave figures to show that only about 1,000 men were out in Chicago, while the number on strike in independent plants were given by packing officials as about the same number.

There was no violence in connection with the first day's strike here but at St. Paul several persons were slightly injured when a group of commission men clashed with pickets.

May Declare Martial Law

(By Associated Press)
Kansas City, Dec. 5.—The Kansas court of industrial relations today informed Mayor Burton, of Kansas City, Kan., and Henry T. Zimmer, chief of Police that unless crowds surrounding the packing plants were dispersed by tomorrow morning the industrial court would telegraph Governor Allen to declare martial law in that place and order the state militia to take charge of the situation.

GERMANY TO HAVE A RESPITE FROM PAYING UP HER INDEMNITIES

Reparations Commis-
sion Practically Agreed
To Two Years

(By Associated Press)
Paris, Dec. 5.—Germany will probably be granted a three year's delay in her cash indemnity payments, the Associated Press is informed from the most reliable source. Negotiations are now going on between the reparations officials of France and Great Britain and the responsible officials of both countries virtually agree that Germany must be given a breathing spell. All that remains to be done is to work out a scheme acceptable to both.

The greatest progress has been made in the last few days in bringing the British and French view point together, the result of this progress has been the decision to give Germany a chance to regain her normal status.

and killed by a posse.
Hale and Grove are said to have protected Birdsong.

Two Courts Still Concerned With Arbuckle Affair

(By Associated Press)
San Francisco, Dec. 5.—Two courts were concerned today with the aftermath of the manslaughter trial of Roscoe Arbuckle, which ended in a disagreement yesterday.

In the commissioner's division of the United States District Court, an appearance was made for Arbuckle in answer to a prohibition violation charge and simultaneously in the police court Mrs. Minnie Neighbors witness for the defense in the manslaughter trial, appeared on a perjury charge in connection with her testimony.

A preliminary hearing was waived by the defense on the prohibition charge and the Neighbors case was continued until Wednesday.

BABE RUTH LOSES ALL OF HIS WORLD SERIES MONEY THROUGH FINE

Judge Landis Shows He
Is Bigger Than the
Bambino

(By Associated Press)

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The bad news for Babe Ruth, world's champion home run hitter with the New York Yankees, broke today. Ruth was fined his world series prize amounting to \$3,362.26 and suspended until May 20, of the 1922 season by Judge Landis, commissioner of baseball, for participating in exhibition games following the close of the world's series.

Outfielder Bob Meusel and Pitcher William Piercey, also members of the Yankees, who participated in the barn storming trip with Ruth drew substantially the same penalty. Pitcher Piercey's fine was \$100 less than the other two players as his share of the world's series was that much less than the other players.

The suspension of Ruth, for at least the first month of the American League pennant race practically means, baseball observers pointed out tonight, that the New York slugger will have little chance of breaking his home run record next season. Under the ruling Ruth may apply for reinstatement May 20.

The decision which, in the baseball world, rests as the most important Judge Landis has made since he became commissioner, was made after two months deliberation.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 5.—"Well, just let it go at that for the present, Babe Ruth, champion hitter declared today when informed of Judge Landis' decision. He said he could make no statement until he had received the formal statement of Judge Landis' action.

Winter Visitors To Daytona Found Dead in Apartment

(By Associated Press)
Daytona, Dec. 5.—The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Smith, winter visitors from LaPorte, Ind., were found in their apartment this morning, death having been due to asphyxiation caused by gas escaping from a hot water heater. The couple had apparently been dead since Saturday.

FIVE SO. FLORIDA COUNTIES ARE BEING SUED BY BANK

(By Associated Press)
Tampa, Dec. 5.—The counties of Charlotte, Glades, Highland, DeSoto and Hardee are made defendants in a suit for \$40,000 damages filed here today by the Richmond Trust Co., of Richmond, Va. The complaint charges that obligators entered into by DeSoto county prior to its be-

CHINA CLAIMS NOTHING YET BUT BUNCOMB AT "CONFAB"

Protests Negative Results
Achieved Thus Far
In Talk

NEW SCHEME PROPOSED

Trying To Ring Uncle
Sam Into Three Cor-
nered Entente

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 5.—Philip K. C. Tyau, secretary general of the Chinese delegation to the Washington conference and minister to Cuba, today cabled to Peking his resignation as a member of the delegation in protest against the negative "result thus far achieved concerning China's demands."

Dr. Tyau told the Associated Press tonight that in resigning he acted without consulting the three Chinese delegates and his action represented his personal views. The delegation was notified after the cablegram had been sent to the Chinese government.

"I personally do not feel that any actual results have been achieved by the Washington conference regarding China," Dr. Tyau said. "They have been negative in actuality except in principle. Every thing has been agreed to in principle and then turned over to sub-committees."

The question of a three or four power agreement to replace the Anglo-Japanese alliance is demanding increased attention among the arms delegates while they wait for Japan to define her position on the naval ratio.

The latest suggestion contemplating an entente to include the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France, has developed to the point where a tentative treaty draft is under consideration in some quarters, although it has not been formally presented to the conference.

On the part of the American government there apparently is no disposition to entertain entente proposals, at least at the present stage of the negotiations. Later such suggestion may receive consideration, provided it includes no requirements counter to American public opinion.

Lloyd George Not Coming

New York, Dec. 5.—The statement that it "was unlikely that Lloyd George will come to the Washington conference" was made late today by a member of the British delegation to the armament conference.

While no direct word has been received of Lloyd George's intentions the British official, who declined to be quoted declared that unofficial advice from the Foreign office plainly indicated that the premier would not be able to make the trip. The serious turn in the Irish negotiations and other pressing domestic matters which require Lloyd George's attention, he added would keep him at home.

ing divided up into the five counties and under which \$100,000 was borrowed for the Murdock Drainage district have not been met. No steps have been taken by the taxing district to raise money to meet the interest or principle on these bonds it is alleged.

CONGRESS IS BACK TO SAVE UNIVERSE FROM ITS FOIBLES

Gallery Gods Lacking
When They Line Up
At Barrier

HEAR HARDING TODAY

President Will Deliver
His Message Just
Like Woodrow

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 5.—Congress re-assembled today with the usual formal ceremonies of a new session and with its legislative course fairly well charted. The opening program was routine however, and was viewed by smaller crowds than customary. Interest in general was subordinated by President Harding's address which will be delivered at a joint session at 12:30 tomorrow. His recommendations were expected to deal principally with tariff revision, government economy and development of the Federal budget system.

Leaders expressed the hope tonight of completing work by midsummer but faced the possibility of the session continuing until fall. With the biennial congressional elections next November much politics was regarded as assured for this session.

One of the features of today's opening was the receipt from President Harding of the first federal appropriation estimates prepared under the new budget law. The budget proposed for the 1923 fiscal year was \$3,505,000,000 a decrease of nearly \$500,000,000 from the 1922 outlay and of more than two billion from current expenditures.

PICKETS UNJUSTIFIABLE SAYS SUPREME COURT'S OPINION IN STEEL CASE

Certain Rights Are In-
sured to All But Not
To Make Trouble

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Dec. 5.—Picketing in connection with a labor strike is unjustifiable if carried to the point of "importunity and dogging" the Supreme Court ruled today.

Decision as to whether specific instances of picketing come within the court's inhibition must be left for determination on the facts in each case it was declared, but the court suggested that pickets should have the right of observation, communication and persuasion, and might further be limited to "one representative for each point of ingress and egress."

The opinion of the court was read by Chief Justice Taft, was approved by all the associate justices except Mr. Clark, who did not state the grounds of his dissent.

The case arose out of a strike at the American Steel Foundries plant at Granite City, Ill., where 1,600 men were normally employed. "In going to and from work men have a right to as free a passage without obstruction as the streets afford," the Supreme Court held, "consistent with the rights of others to enjoy the same privilege."

FLORIDA BAPTISTS GATHER AT MIAMI CONVENTION

(By Associated Press)
Miami, Dec. 5.—The 67th annual convention of the Florida Baptist Association will convene in the First Baptist Church here tomorrow evening. The Rev. Lincoln Hully, president of Stetson University, at DeLand, Dr. S. B. Rogers, of Jacksonville and Miss Juliet, of Birming-

FINAL EFFORT OF PREMIER A SUCCESS LONG SOUGHT AFTER

Terms of Agreement to
Go To Parliament
and Ulster

PEACE NOW IS CERTAIN

Terms Not To Be Made
Public Until Final
Approval Given

(By Associated Press)

London, Dec. 5.—It is officially announced that the government officials and the representatives of the Dail Earrin have reached an agreement, the terms of which will be submitted for the acceptance of parliament and of the Dail Earrin.

A copy of the agreement has been sent to Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, by special messenger.

(By Associated Press)

London, Dec. 5.—Premier Lloyd George made a determined eleventh hour attempt to save what appeared to be a hopeless situation. After a full cabinet meeting today the premier summoned the Irish delegates to meet the Irish committee of the cabinet. After the conference had sat for more than four hours "strenuously examining every conceivable solution," as was afterward explained, it was announced, unofficially that an important modification of the government's proposals was made.

The Irish delegates then returned to their headquarters to consult with their colleagues with the understanding that they should reply to the government personally or by letter later in the evening. After a long conference at the Irish delegation's headquarters during which several telephonic communications were exchanged with Downing street the Irish delegates went into conference with the British minister and were still in session at 11:15 tonight.

Tomorrow was the date set for Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, for receiving a new proposal from the government failing which Ulster would have considered the negotiations ended.

Child Killed By Truck on Streets of Daytona Beach

(By Associated Press)
Daytona, Dec. 5.—William Franklin Miller, seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Roy Miller, of Daytona Beach, was almost instantly killed when he was struck by an auto bus driven by E. W. Russell, while crossing the street near his home today. He died after being carried into a nearby drug store.

ham are on the program for the opening day's meeting. Three hundred delegates from every part of Florida have arrived in the city it was estimated.