OMAHA, FRIDAY, JULY 6, 1923. \*

Four Dead, Six Hurt

McKeesport, Pa., Threat-

ened by Morning

Blaze.

McKeesport, Pa., July 5 .- Four

The flames, starting in the base-

ment, spread through the building

Panic within and without the hotel

women and children, screams from

The seriously injured are John

Just as the building burst into

and their four children to safety.

Atlanta, Ga., July 5 .- An echo to

New York's repeal of the state pro-

hibition enforcement law was heard

of the whole was defeated and the

measure was sent to the commute

The Weather

Highest, 89; lowest, 71; mean, 80; nor

Relative Humidity, Percentage.

Highest Thursday.

S4 Pueblo

S8 Rapid Cit

50 Sait Lake

8 S5 Santa Fe

y 51 Sheridan

m. \$3; noon, 69; 7 p. m. 62. cipitation, Inches and Rundredth al. 0. Total since Jan. 1st, 15 ency, 8;

Is a Moral Duty When Flames Trap

# FARM-LABOR PARLEY SPLIT WIDE OPEN

# **Up to Berlin** Government

Withdrawal of Support to Passive Resistance Campaign Held Key to Settlement.

#### People Willing to Pay

By MARK SULLIVAN.

Cologne, July 5 .- Ever since the French set up their demands for cesof passive resistance in the Ruhr as a condition precedent to answering the last German note, the question has been just what degree of cessation was meant by the French and how it would work out in actual practice in the Ruhr. If by cessation of passive resist

ance France meant merely that the esistance and its financial support American citizen who brings forward

But if the French meant that the German government must go farther, must actually help the French army in its efforts to keep order and make the population go to work, that is regarded as a different matter.

Idle Most of Time.

In the Ruhr, the fact is that the people are working roughly about onefifth of their capacity. The rest of the time they are idle. To provide them with food they are receiving re- Mrs. Bessie Baker, Kansas lief money from private sources. If the financial assistance of the German government were withdrawn, the amount of relief from private sources would be insufficient. The Ruhr population then would have to go to work or starve.

discussed here, that in the event the ing Thursday afternoon in the deten-German government should withdraw tion ward at he city jail. The woman, tion might follow the example of Bel- made no complaint until half an hour gium when the Germans occupied it before she committed suicide. She

is that if withdrawal of the ordi- Baker hanging from an overhead heat edge. ment, then the people would go to alleged "dope den" on the banks of arriving there to spend Sunday. normal degree.

#### Eager to Pay.

The people here are perfectly well aware that Germany must and ought to pay reparations They are not only day when he was in the chief of detectives office for questioning. Baker Others May Face to pay reparations They are not only willing, but eager to pay it. If they were told that Germany must pay a in default of a \$2,500 bond on a certain fixed sum and that so soon charge of attempting to steal an autoas it was paid the occupying army mobile arising from an effort to stead would be withdrawn, and Germany a car during his escape. freed, then in that event they would go to work and pay. Under those conditions the pres

ence of the French army, with a def. nite known limit of its presence would soon cease to cause violence or much resentment. It is not the pres ence of a foreign army that causes trouble. Where there is a British army there is no trouble at all. The people fraternize with the soldiers. It is the fear that the French mean

to stay forever, mean to try to disrupt Germany, that causes the trouble. A deeper cause of the whole trouble is herent vice of the Versailles treaty for four years, failure to make reparations a fixed sum. Because the amount was left inde

terminate, 99 out of every 100 people ere sincerely believe that no matter how much Germany pays, it will be quiredto pay still more; and they lieve also that the French will re luse to be satisfied with any amount of money whatever, but really enter Japan's Three-Power Arms ain a policy of disrupting Germany. (Copyright, 1923.)

#### Scout Executive Is Off

gestion for a three-power armamer to New York Convention agreement with Great Britain and the John H. Piper, regional executive of the Boy Scouts of America, left last night for New York to attend the 13th annual meeting of the national council of the Boy Scouts of Amer-

The conference will be held July 9 and 10 and will be followed by a national meeting of the 12 field men of the organization, lasting two more

Piper will return to Omaha towards the middle of the month,

#### England Will Not Cut Armament, Denby Announces

By International News Service. Bisley, England, July 5.-England will not reduce its armament further, the Earl of Derby, secretary of state for war, declared in an address

The margin of safety at present is "extraordinarily small," he said.

#### Four Die in Hotel Fire.

ere burned to death today when fire swept through the Schmidt hotel at indictments, charging assault with a a lonely bit of forest preserve and at McKeesport, near here. The bodies pistol, were returned this morning by tacked, according to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told of two men and a woman have not the Harris county grand jury investigated to the story she told the sto been identified. Six guests were in- tigating whippings at Goose Creek, an dering among the trees. Her condi-



Hangs Herself in

City, Crazed by Want for

Drug, Ends Her Life.

sensational break for liberty last Fr

day when he was in the chief of de

automobile theft, sawed his way to

freedom early today through two

The prisoner sawed two bars in

driveway.

knew of the escape until several

hours after the prisoner had gone,

have to involve at least a tacif offen-

sive and defensive alliance between

the three signatories, viewed as im-

someone who was passing the build-

probable of congressional approval.

\$15,000 Fire Sweeps Store

of the police department.

Lincoln Prisoner

sets of steel bars.

in the wall.

**Detention Ward** 

First Stop Scheduled for Ketchikan Friday or Early Saturday-First Chief to Visit North Territory.

## Realizes Long Ambition

Tacoma, Wash., July 5 .- In the midst of the blaring of bands and the farewell cheers of thousands of Ta oma citizens, President Harding sail ed today for Alaska, the first chief executive of the nation to visit that territory since it came under the American flag 56 years ago.

A few minutes after 2, the sched uled hour of departure the United States naval transport Henderson Here is the latest photograph of Edward W. Bok of Philadelphia, who withdraw its ordinances calling for has offered a prize of \$100,000 for the way, circled the harbor and steamed the Tacoma stadium where a of resistance, it is felt that Britain the best practical plan for the comight find a way to make an informal suggestion to Berlin that this the other nations in attaining and speed of Governor Hart of Washing. speed of Governor Hart of Washing on, and where the president had declared for an American merchant ma-

As the big transport swung by the stadium, those who assembled there to hear the president speak stood and cheered. Mr. and Mrs. Harding acknowledged the cheers, waved farewell from the bridge until distance

#### President Happy.

obtain a few days of rest after the ed shall be available. Crazed by lack of drugs, Mrs. Best overjoyed by the prospect of releast turers, the president said, "would be sie Baker, alias Bessie Butler, Kaning the ambition he has held almost welcomed by our people as a whole It is possible, indeed it has been sas City, Mo., ended her life by hangever since he entered the White House and would be received as a great boon -an ambition to visit the great north- by American workers." ern territory and obtain first-hand who had been in jail for a week, had information with respect to its prob- signed by Elbert H. Gary, John A.

yonets. The end of that process quantity of aspirin.

yould be an appeal to America for After Miss Mabel Wright, police British Columbia and Alaska. It will Black, Severn P. Ker, J. A. Campbell, would be an appeal to America for food on a basis analogous to our furnishing food to Belgium during the war.

The best judgment here, however, Baker hanging from an overhead heat solution and provided in the coll block and on investigating found Mrs.

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government as part of or followed Mrs. Baker was arrested a week ago Saturday, and after a stay there the of those whose attention could be se-Thursday when officers raided an Henderson will go on to Wrangell, work and the region would quickly the Misouri river near the water- cording to the tentative schedule. The become economically productive to a works. She was one of seven ar- arrival at Juneau, the territorial capirested and was in company with her tal, has been fixed for July 10 and

#### husband, Sam Baker, who made a (Turn to Page Two, Column One.) was removed to the couny jail after his capture, where he is being held **Charges of Fraud**

to Return Indictments Citing Conspiracy.

Saws Way to Liberty The federal grand jury will meet gain this morning to hear evidence Lincoln, July 5 .- Working with his bare hands a few inches of a broken booze, dope and other cases. The government jurors spent al hacksaw blade, W. D. Mathews, 18, held at the city jail on a charge of

yesterday hearing the evidence in only three cases, it was reported. It is known that a large number of booze and dope selling cases will be presented, but rumors were persistent in the federal building yesthe roof of his cell ,then tore away a heavy wire netting and removed terday that there would be some more most of the bars from a window high indictments in connection with the promotions of recent business enter Apparently he made a straight prises,

drop of 20 feet from the jail roof to prominent Omaha business men were made by the last grand jury, alleging conspiracy to defraud. Some according to Capt. Walter Anderson more of these indictments may be expected, it is reported. The grand jury, according to Dis-

#### Pact Not Favored by U. S. One Killed, 43 Hurt

United States as a substitute for the five-power treaty signed at the Washington conference and still awaiting small favor in high naval circles, Not dreds of persons watching a Fourth only would such a pact defeat its of July celebration at Liberty park, oning of the report great weight gave way and crashed to the ground, should be attached to the fact that own purpose, according to the opinburying under the wreckage many of in the present shortage of labor it ion of some naval experts, but in order to be even of moral value it would

he crash, dying of a broken neck at the hope that this question could be

of Omaha Fur Company fireworks display. More than 30,000 the industry through any recession were in the park when the accident of demand for steel product or at fice and storerooms of the Omaha est the grandstand, causing hindrance change should be made from the Hide and Fur company, 709 South Thirteenth street, early Thursday to rescue workers in their efforts to two-shift to the three-shift basis. I extricate those buried under the cannot but believe that such an un morning. Origin of the fire is unknown. Alarm was turned in by twisted mass of wreckage.

#### Girl Attacked

Chicago, July 5 .- Accepting a ride Indictments at Goose Creek. from three strange youths in an auto-Houston, Tex., July 5.—Seven more mobile, Mary Kus, 16, was taken to

Auto for Every Five Persons in Nebraska. Iowa, South Dakota

Everyone in Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota could hop in automo-biles and move out instantly, without leaving anyone at home and without having to make a return trip.

There is a car for every five persons in those three states, ac-

cording to figures just compiled by the bureau of publicity of the Chamber of Commerce.

Iowa ranks second in the United States with 4.8 persons per car, and Nebraska and South Dakota tie for third with 5.1 persons per car. In union, there is a car for every 3.8

Other states in the country run up as high as 26.1 per car. The average in the whole United States is 8.6 persons per car.

### **Steel Industry** Promises to Drop Twelve-Hour Day

Manufacturing Officials Pledge Support to Shorter Hours, in Correspondence With Harding.

By Associated Press.

Tacoma, Wash., July 5 .- President correspondence between himself and the directors of the American Iron made them only indistinct figures to and Steel institute and, in a state ment incorporated as part of his address here, said "the large majority of the steel manufacturers of Ameri-The president as he boarded the ca have undertaken to abolish the vessel was in an unusually happy 12-hour day in the American steel in frame of mind, pleased by the recep- dustry at the earliest possible mo tion given him in Tacoma, glad to ment that the additional labor requir

transcontinental trip, and The "pledge" of the steel manufac

Topping, W. A. Rogers, W. H. Don and refuse to work under hostile cried for drugs and was given a small ahead of the party when it left here, James A. Farrell, E. G. Grace, Willis

he first stop will be made at Ket-dersigned directors of the American en to your letter of June 18 by the unchikan, either late Friday or early Iron and Stel institute, comprising all Ten Persons Killed in Ohioured at this time

#### Pledge Shorter Day

"Undoubtedly there is a strong ser iment throughout the country in fa for of eliminating the 12-hour day, and this we do not under-estimate. On ccount of this sentiment, and especially because it is in accordance with a shorter day at the earliest time all parts of the country. practicable. This means the employnent of large numbers of workmen Federal Grand Jury Expected on an eight-hour basis and all others the deaths, although automobile acci- without the means of furnishing them tion of the city on a basis of 10 hours or less. With dents and drownings in connection with proper nourishment. out an unjustifiable interruption to with Independence day celebrations operations, the change cannot be ef- helped to swell the total. fected over night. It will involve think it can be brought about without reported five and New York state enough funds to carry on the work followed. While policemen rescued "The iron and steel manufacturers ported in the south.

#### Text of Harding's Letter.

President Harding's letter, addressed to Judge Gary, follows: "I have now had an opportunity of Ohio . reading the full report of the committee of the Iron and Steel institute the question of the abolition of Minnesota the 12-hour day in the steel industry. Michigan As I have stated before, I am, of New York course, disappointed that no conclusive arrangement was proposed for derict Attorney Kinsler, will make its termination of what must be manifestly accepted as a practice that Nebraska should be obsolete in American indus- lowa try. I still entertain the hope that New Jers When Utah Stand Falls these questions of social importance Wisconsin . Salt Lake City, July 5 .- One person should be solved by action inside the was killed and 45 injured, several se- industries themselves, for it is only jously, here last night when a tempo- such solutions that are consonant rary grandstand, loaded with hun- with American life and institutions.

"I am impressed that in the reaswould cripple our entire prosperity if Ruby Soderbury, 9, lost her life in the change were abruptly made. In \$8,000,000 and now on the high sea the emergency hospital. Most of the disposed of, I am wondering if it flag in the transatlantic passenge njured suffered broken limbs, body would not be possible for the steel service, "never made money and neve industry to consider giving an under-The crash occurred after thousands taking before there shall be any re- Plunkett, commandant at the Brook had gathered at the park to watch the duction in the staff or employes of lyn navy yard, declared in an address were in the park when the accident of demand for steel production of and pandemonium reigned any time when there is a surplus of and Berengaria, is too large and expensive for practical operation, he dertaking would give great satisfac. Government of Turkey tion to the American people as a whole and would indeed establish

> clusively advocated by the public." Refers to Merchant Marine.

# Thirty-Five Dead, Milk for Babies 134 Injured in

Missouri Leads in Number Hurt With 34—Illinois

Chicago, July 5 .- Thirty-five deaths termined to exert our influence for in a check of casualties reported from if we do.

Fireworks and firearms

Most of the deaths reported were grow rapidly. indue delay when, as you state it, three. Thirteen deaths were reported of mercy which it is now doing. there is a surplus of labor available.' in the middlewest and four were re-

In accidents resulting in injuries,

deaths and injuries in the various of The Omaha Bee states:

Illinois Fennsylvania. Alabama

#### Rear Admiral Plunkett Says Leviathan Will Lose Money

will." Rear Admiral Charles I

Recalling Men to Colors

pride and confidence in the ability our industries themselves to colors and laying plans for defense of the Ismid line, said a dispatch to day from Constantinople. The r The chief executive also referred ported military activity is due, th o the merchant marine, the Ameri, dispatch said, to reports that the can school system and the social lies are going to maintain their

# NATIONAL

Tracking Up the House Faster Than He Can Clean It

Second With 28.

certain amount of taxes without feel ng any qualms of conscience. But we simply cannot ignore the needs of tiny babies who suffer dur

and 134 injuries were caused by fire. ing the hot summer months in the poorer homes of our city. At least your own expressed views, we are tions this year, it was shown tonight our consciences can't be entirely free others injured, four seriously, when For the question of milk and ice through the four-story Hotel Schmidt s a life and death matter to scores here early today and for a time sponsible for a large percentage of of these tots, whose mothers are threatened a part of the business sec-

Now that the big holiday is over

and Death Matter for

Some of us can invest in tax free

securities and thus avoid paying a

the Free Milk and Ice fund should with great rapidity, trapping occu-It must reach the pants of the upper floors in their many adjustments, many of them in the east. Ohio leading the dist of \$1,000 mark by August 1 if the Visit- rooms complicated and difficult, but we fatalities with 10, while Pennsylvania ing Nurse association is to have These nurses are finding new and other occupants, caught on the up-

nore pitiful cases each day. They per floors could be heard blocks away. look with confidence to the supportside of the directors referred to, are Missouri reported 61, but many of ers of this fund to enable them to identified men and a woman are dead. expected to concur in the conclusion them were minor. Illinois was second purchase the ice-cooled, sweet milk reached by the directors as above stat. with 28 injuries, many of them seri- which means so much to the babies. O'Hara, 45; Ben Coleman, 26; Matthew We must help. Send contributions Krast and Stanley Stokman Following is a table of reported to the Free Milk and Ice fund, care

flames, Miss Minnie Werry, night Previously acknowledged contribu-tions
(. E. E. for the babies
A. B. B. Kearney, Neb
From D. E., Boone, Neb head nurse at the McKeesport hos pital, chanced to look out of a hos-Boy Loses Thumb and

#### Eye in Celebration neck of Weirton. W. Va., his wife Dry Law Repeal Movement

Scottsbluff, Neb., July 5.-The most serious Fourth of July accident reported in this region was that of Ear Wells, 12, Mitchell boy, who lost his 134 left thumb and the sight of his left

He placed a cannon cracker in a in the Georgia house of representaap pistel and lighted it. The explo-tives today when Representative on shattered the pistol, pieces of the Craig Arnold introduced a bill recom-New York, July 5.—The steamship steel tearing off his thumb and en- mending a repeal of the Georgia supply is estimated to be the bill be referred to the committe

#### Omaha Forger Sentenced to Michigan Penitentiary Detroit, Mich., July 5. - John

Murphy, 29, Omaha, pleaded guilty oday to forging checks totaling \$700 and was sentenced to serve from told the court he is a cousin of Ed ward Cudahy, millionaire Chicago packer, and that his family has spent \$40,000 in the last year to keep him from being convicted for other for

Man Fined on Charge of Tearing Down "Old Glory Joseph Black, 618 South Twen-

tigth street, was fined \$12,50 in municipal court. He was alleged to have forn down a flag at the home of Mrs. James Boyd, 620 South Eighteenth street. He said

## Platform Described as Too Red Secretary of Organization

Come From Branch of Communist Party.

Scores Proposals Said to

#### Adjourn to Avoid Bolt

Chicago, July 5 .- The platform of

he proposed federated farmer-labor party, described as "to red, commun istic and bolsheviki" and "too radical for even the radical state of Wisconsin" to accept, split the conference wide open today and it recessed for a night session, in order to stave off a hreatened bolt of some farmer-labor delegates ostensibly in their own convention. The recess was taken o permit a farmer-labor chamber of commerce to determine their furthur pardelipation and action. At that time the workers' party of America, which E. Ruthenburg, one of its group eaders, said was a branc hof the ommunist party, was in control of the conference. Jay G. Brown, national secretary of the farmer-labor party. refused the platform for his organiza

The organization committee, composed of delegates representing indusrial workers, farmers and minority political parties, reported out a platform through Joseph Manley, New York, another workers' party delegate, which Ruthenburg said was signed by 26 of the 29 members. It was immediately attacked by the

John Fitzpatrick, president of the Thicago Federation of Labor, who de ivered the severe arraignment. Scores Workers' Party.

Illinois farmer-labor unit, but it was

"The farmer-labor party called this onvention in good faith with a deire for political unity," Fitzpatrick aid, "but other groups invited here have taken advantage and injected a platform that, if adopted, will kill he farmer-labor party and mean leath to the ambitions of the working lass for 20 years.

As soon as it becomes known that he workers' party, a communist Celebrations Proper Nourishment Is Life Guests, in Hotel ram against us all. If William Z. Foster, Ruthenburg, Manley and the others believe they can attract union men and women to this platform they are mistaken. If these men really Part of Business Section of want to serve the cause they can do it best by picking up their tent and be on their way. The delegates who framed this platform were gagged and delivered to the organization

#### Too Radical for Wisconsin

Chester C. Platt of the nonpartisar ersons were burned to death and six consin "was the most radical state in he United States," but the platform suggested, "drafted by a party which am told is a branch of the third inernationale," if put to Wisconsin rganizations "would not be touched. "And if you cannot suit the radical

state of Wisconsin, you cannot suit mother state in the union." he added Foster was given the biggest evaion of the day when he spoke for he platform, but it was a brief talk and confined to an urging that it be adopted. The principal obstruction to he goal of the class movement was American Federation of Labor, he as serted. Brown accepted that part of the program which declared the prin (Turn to Page Two, Column Six.)

40,000 British Dock Workers on Strike: Famine Menaces

London, July 5 .- With more than 40,000 dock workers on strike pital window. She rushed ambulance and internes to the scene. The fire throughout England today, and many victims were taken to the hospital, of the strikes unauthorized, charges were made by the Daily Express that One man jumped from an upper floor ommunists were the power behind Police officers assisted Tony Wrwze- the strike.

Seven thousand men struck in Manchester in defiance of their leaders. Two thousand joined the strike n London and many walked out in Liverpool Is Launched in Georgia

Union leaders who have given strike orders denied the charge of ommunist inspiration and declared the issue was strictly one of protes against high living costs. The strike is rapidly becoming a Many sections are theraten-

ed with food shortages and London's liquor restrictions. His request that only for a week.

Three Die in Auto

plunged off Battle Ground and Heis near here.

The dead are: Jack Marshall, 47. donkey engineer, Frank Deagle, 45, timeke

Oil Fire Rages on Loast. of the L. D. C. group No., 10, Union Oil company, are burning and the whole of Signal Hill is threatened by he rapidly spreading flames.

Oil in storage caught fire and this

added to the menace The Long Beach fire department esponded and oil workers assisted

Your 3 Day"Want" Ad Phoned to At. 1000 Today Will Be in The Big Sunday Bee