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CHARLOTTE, N. C., WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 23, 1921.

Mrs. Varner Denies Ever Seeing McRary in Greensboro.

ISSUES ARE AGREED UPON

Taking of Testimony Is Concluded, 103 Witnesses Having Been Heard; Argument Begun.

GREENSBORO, Feb. 22.-Taking of testimony in the Varner case, being tried in Federal court here, was completed this afternoon, the insues to be answered were agreed sues to be answered were agreed upon, and argument to the jury was

Examination of the last of the 103 witnesses ended at 3:25 p. m. today, the seventh day of the trial. Thiring Mrs. Florence C. Varner, with subsistence the trial is concerned, and Varner himself.

Mrs. Varner was put on the stand by her attorneys and again made denial of charges of immorality be-tween her and the negro, Baxter Mc-The attorneys squabbled for 30

minutes as to what the issues to be decided by the jury should be. decided by the jury should be. Judge James E. Boyd decides that are three issues, as follows: Did the defendant (Varner) separate himself from the plaintiff Varner) and fall to provide her with the necessary subs cording to his means and condition in life, as alleged in the complaint 2. Did the plaintiff commit adultery with R. B. McRary as alleged in

the answer? lowed and paid or secured to the plaintiff for her reasonable subsis. o'clock today of heart disease, it was All Hangs On Second Issue.

Is is the second of the three issues upon which the case hangs, so stated fudge Boyd and admitted by counsel for both sides. The attorneys engaged in the lively tilt over the question whether the jury or the presiding judge should fix the "reasonable subsistence, in case verdict is found in favor of Mrs. Varner. E. T. Cansler, for Varner, argued that it was for the judge to fix the amount, if there he any, while T. C. Guthrie, for Mrs. Varner, held that it was the duty

of the jury.

After 35 minutes of argument
Judge Boyd ruled that it is the province of the jury. Mr. Cansier had an exception to the ruling noted. Four hours were fixed by Judge Boyd as enough time to be consum-

by the lawyers on each side in A little over one hour was used

by R. R. King, of Greensboro, coun-sel for Mrs. Varner, in the opening speech to the jury and court ad-journed until tomorrow morning at the end of his argument.

As five hours constitutes a court day, adjournment tomorrow will not find the lawyers through with their arguments. They should be through a little before Thursday morning's session ends. Pollowing that will come the will probably be given to the jury before adjournment Thursday after-

Mrs. Varner On Stand. Mrs. Varner was the principal wit-ness today. She was put back on the stand by her attorneys in an effort to refute testimony offered since she left the stand on her first examination. She testified that she did come to Greensboro from Lexington in the summer of 1915 about the time George Petty, of Lexington, sum swore that he saw her enter a house killing here reputed to be of ill fame and Baxter McCrary enter it after her. but Mrs. Varner declared that she came on a shopping and business trip. She stated that she saw Mc-Rary at the Lexington depot when the started to Greensboro but did not see him in Greensboro or again that day.

Questioned as to certain dates and

(Continued on Page Eleven.) TO BAR SHIPMENTS OF WAR MATERIALS FROM GERMANY TO ARGENTINE

Allied Control Commissions Will Prevent Such Ship- during ments to Any Neutral Countries, Is Warning Given.

LONDON, Feb. 22 .- The allied control commissions in Germany will prohibit shipments of war materials from Germany to Argentina or any other neutral country, if such countries pers'st in trying to buy munitions. Th's announcement was made in British official circles

here today. It was stated that despite the reply of Argentina to the allied re-minder that the Versailles treaty prohibits Germany from manufacturing or exporting war materials. now for enforcing the proh bit on on shipments to Argentina, but it was said continued efforts to ob-tain the same would bring the alied commissions to full exertion of

would appreciate the advantage of bargains it was supplies, it was de-clared this was impossible in view of the treaty. Efforts to obtain supplies would only embarrass the allies and Germany, and particu-larly the latter, which had enacted measures to forestall ments as were reported to be pre paring for South America, it was



Former Democratic Chieftain Dies of Heart Disease.

Body Brought From Greenwich, Conn., to New York Home for Funeral.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.-William

innounced here today by Frederick R. Ryan, his business Mr. McCombs, who directed the presidential campaign of Woodrow Wilson in 1912, had been in failing health for several years and during the last few months, his heart at was expected at any time

Mr. Ryan announced that the body will be brought to this city late today and funeral arrangements would be announced later.

Mr. McCombs, who was in his 48th year, leaves two brothers, Robert and Ashton, of Hamburg, Ark., and three sisters, Mrs. Corrine Hardy, of Little Rock, Ark., Mrs. Ethel Thom-

as, and Mrs. Randolph Silverman.

Charlotte was peculiarly interested sst associates to stand. known Charlotte business man. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas had gone to when it was reported that Mr. Mc-

wich. Conn.

from Charlotte will be a telegram for the navy secretaryship. to be sent this morning to Mr. Thomas by the officials of the Rotary club of which he is a member

MOORESVILLE MILL IS

STATESVILLE, Feb. 22.—A. T. Rinehart, administrator of the estate of J. P. Rinehart, entered suit today at this place against the Mooresville Cotton Mill company, incorporated, for damages in sum of \$100,000 growing out of the killing of the deceased by young Hoyt Mercer, the boy under 16 years of age in the defendant company's mill at Mooresville, N. C. on Decem-

Marvin L. Ritch, of Charlotte, is the lawyer employed by the plain-tiff. If this case is carried on to a finish fight it promises to become the second of the case is carried on to a tion is that he will. A formal invita-finish fight it promises to become

sensational. J. P. Rinchart, who was employed in the mill, was shot and killed on December 3, 1920, by Hoyt Mercer, youth of 15, also an employe of he mill. The two had words during the morning and when the boy went home to lunch he returned with his rifle and shot Rinehart, it is alleged. The complaint, according to Mr. Ritch, who represents the plaintiff, will charge that the mill, by employing a boy under 16 years old during school term laws, was responsible for the death of Rinehart.

JO JO SAYS



Cloudy and warmer, followed by cents respectively. ain today; fair and colder Thurs-

possible for a many-sided

man to be absolutely square?

Harding Completes Task of Building His Cabinet.

PROVIDED ALL

Hoover Chosen for Secretary of Commerce; Hays Postmaster General: South Left Out.

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA., Feb. 22.-By the' Associated Press.)-Pressdent-elect Harding has reached a tentative decision on every place in his cabinet, and unless there are lastminute changes the official circle of he next administration will be composed of these men:

Secretary of State—Charles Evans Hughes, of New York, former gov-ernor, justice of the supreme court

othiest in the country. of Massachusetts, former United States senator and in 1916 a candi-date for the presidential nomination.

General-Harry igherty, of Ohio, who manage -convention campaign resulting n Mr. Harding's nomination. Postmaster General — Will Postmaster General — Will H. Hays, of Indiana, chairman of the republican national committee. Secretary of the Navy—Edwin Denby, of Michigan, a former mem-ber of Congress who has served as

marine corps. Secretary of Agriculture—Henry Wallace, of Iowa, editor of farm

Hoover, of California, former food administrator and conspicuous lead-

which are understood to have come united to the point of decision within the court to the the transfer of the transfer of the court to the transfer of the tra In regard to none of these has there been an exchange of formal invitation and acceptance, but in

by the lawyers by the have announcement yesterday of Assignment of the navy portfolio that three would be sufficient, but because he had a sister who is a popper, furnished the first real surprise ular resident of this city—Mrs. Ethel of the cabinet situation, for his name to regulate intrastate rates Thomas, wife of W. E. Thomas, well has not been mentioned publicly in

> Considered From First It is understood that from the first gradually grown Combs was seriously iii, and had he has been under consideration been with him most of the time however, and was held in reserve since. Presumably they were with for just such a contingency as Mr. him when the end came, in Green-Harding faced last week when for-

> > ident-elect makes a formal tender to Mr. Denby he will call, him into consultation and go over with him the coming the naval problems of the coming the naval problems of the coming their rights. I refer to fundamental nations or not, in former enemy nations or not, in former enemy SUED FOR \$100,000 administration. Today Mr. Harding rights. A great principle of governments under mendates, the Michigan members of Congress of exegency or popular layor. Such is insisted upon in a note dispatch-

> > > Ever since the early days of the

Whether he will accept the commerce portfolio is not definitely tion is expected to go forward within

a few hours. Hoover Came First. The former food administrator was the first national figure with whom Mr. Harding conferred after his return to Washington from the Chicago convention last year and

later Mr. Hoover came to Marion (Continued on Page Eleven.)

PROGRESS ON FORDNEY EMERGENCY TARIFF BILL

Reach Agreements on Dairy Products, Olives and Olive 175,000 men for the next fiscal year Oil; Final Action Before To- mittee on military affairs. day Prevented.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Agreements on rates in the Fordney emergency tariff bill on dairy products, olive oil and olives were reached today by senate and house conferees but disputes over the wheat, sugar and tobacco tariffs prevented final

action until tomorrow.

The rate of eight cents a pound on butter in the senate amendment was reduced by the conferees to six cents. The senate amendments providing a tariff of 23 per cent on cheese, two cents per gallon on fresh milk, five cents per gallon on cream and two cents a pound on con-densed milk were adopted without change. A compromise on the olive tariff was reached by the conferees, the rates of 60 and 70 cents per gallon, according to the size of containers being reduced to 50 and 46

The conferees adopted the espate amendment imposing 25 cents per gallon on olives in solution and five cents per pound on those not in so

VAST THRONG CAN HEAR HARDING'S INAUGURAL

heard March 4, by as many peo-ple as may pack themselves on the great plaza fronting the cap-itol. President Harding's a st formal statement to his country-men will be carried throughout the throng in his own yolce by means of simplifiers. Even those so far away they can bardly see his far away they can hardly see his figure in the inauguration stand will hear every word, the corps of engineers announced today.

A room full of machinery has been installed beneath the capitol steps to catch and repeat to the crowd every sylladic uttered by the new President. The announcement of the telephone company installing the mechanism said scores of engineers and workers would be on hand to see that nothing happened to prevent full enjoyment by the crowds of the unusual privilege of hearing as well as seeing the speaker.

Secretary of the Treasury—Andrew W. Mellon, of Pennsylvania, a banker and financier, member of a family reputed to be among the wealthiest in the country.

Anyway, He is Strong on State Rights.

Tendency Toward Civilization, Witness Women Suffrage and Volstead.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT,

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.-Representative John H. Small, who is quitting the house March 4, today isstatement that may have an important bearing on North Caro-

lina politics.

It has been believed for some time that Mr. Small would enter the race

The attitude or Secretary Daniels has increased the Small talk. If Mr Daniels runs Mr. Small may make it three, and his declarations, today, are brief planks in his platform. M Small thinks that we are drifting far from base. He has repeatedly said that the prohibition and the an relief.
Secretary of Labor—James J.
Davis, of Peunsylvania and Illinois.
A former union steel worker who has the interstate commerce sion detision in the rate gone a long way toward the state of what few signs a long way toward the state of what few signs a long way toward the state of what few signs a long way toward the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the signs are signs as the signs are signs as the state of what few signs are signs as the signs are signs woman suffrage amendment would tend to centralize the government

"Twenty states," said he, "have united to contest in the supreme court the jurisdiction and power of the complesion state rates to correspond with the interstate state rates recently ad-SISTER OF DECEASED every case the selections made by mission. Evidently the several model of the several states consider this a very important

connection with the place until to-day.

Considered From Firm.

"The states have probably awaken-ed too late. Beginning with the de-cision of the supreme court in the Shreveport case, the tendency has courts and in the Congress to regard all railroads within the states which interchange traffic with roads Im when the end came, in Greenrich, Conn.

Among messages of sympathy sent
Charlotte will be a telegram

The supreme court will probably uphoid the for the navy secretaryship.

The supreme court will probably uphoid the transportation act of 1920, which

condition of intertia.'

Ever since the early days of the campaign Mr. Hoover's name has been one of the storm centers of the cabinet list, many republicant urging his appointment as secretary of state, interior, commerce or labor and many opposing it because of his decided stand in favor of the league of nations.

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'What's the News?"

In reply to the American note. the Japanese government reiterates regret over the killing of Lieutnant

Langdon.
..Miton H. Smith, president of the
Louisville & Nashville railroad, is
dead at the age of 85. Conferees on the Fordney tariff Conferees on the Fordney tariff

Initiation of tiffs, the first action was determined to stand behind the was determined Dr. Charles E. Barker, of Grand Rapids, Mich., delivers four ad-dresses in Charlotte, under the auspices of the Rotary club.

A note couched in exceedingly firm language is dispatched by the state department to the council of

the league of nations.

The senate passes the Winslow bill to permit partial payment to the railroads of the government guaranty fund. Harding has reached a tentative decision on every place in his cabinet and the personnel of his official

upon and argument begun. Mrs. Varner, on the stand, denies she ever saw McRary in Greensboro. The revenue bill is introduced in the legislature, providing for five

State Department Wants to Present Views on Mandates

BEFORE ACTION IS TAKEN

America Pleases France; New World Contact Remains.

PARIS, Feb. 22.- (By The Ass clated Press.) - Ambassador Wallace's notification to the council of the league of nations today that the of friction between the more civi!tate department at Washington deired to present the views of the United States before action was taken on mandates, created great surprise in league circles. The gradual withdrawal of American representatives from the counseace activities had tended to condministration would leave all such initiative to the new government. The text of Secretary Colby's note

will not be generally known until comorrow, but his unexpected intervention is learned in French circles. and among others also, with evident satisfaction, as showing that the new world still maintains contact orid's problems. Notification of the imminent ar-

rival of the note came when "man dates" was the first question on the agenda of the council, which spent nearly the entire day in discussing the reply to the American ambassa-dor's letter and exchanging views upon these mandates which it is no ikely to touch. Council Replies

The council's reply to Ambassa-dor Wallace, signed by Dr. Da Cunha, president of the council, exthe lively interest ommunication from the state deand says that in deference to his equest the council will postpone all of mandates n rica. It receive that mandates of type "C", the Pacific islands and upon two months age and published

tine; France over Syria and Leba-

Type over German East Africa; France and Great Britain over and Kamerun; Great Britain erman southeast Africa

Type "C". Japan mandatory over tice, occupied practically the entire ing the Japanese garrison at Vladive-north Pacific islands, including Yap: morning session.

Australia over New Guinea; New There was a concerted fight on the active list of the Japanese army and Morrison has pledged the weight of over German southeast Africa.

COUCHED IN LANGUAGE

WASHINGTON, Feb. vests the interstate commerce comthe Associated Press.)—Equal opmission with power to fix intrastate portunities for the citizens of all of allied governments under mandates, regarding the appointment and it is a principle must be maintained in ed by the state department to the understood to have secured their ap- its integrity or it will lapse into a council of the league, now in sesof exegency or popular avor. Such is insisted upon in a note dispatch-

sion at Paris.

The note went forward last night to Ambassador Wallace, who is to present it to the council tomorrow. Its text was withheld, but state department officers described it today as being virtually identical with the one on the same subject sent to the British government last November by Secretary Colby.

That Bote was couched in exceedposition that mandate agreements ing them to pa and treaties were to be considered upon each gin. only by states members league and declared that the United States as a contributor to the common victory in the world war, could not consider "any of the associated powers, the smallest not less than itself, debarred from participation in the rights and privileges secured under the mandates provided in the treaties of peace.'

the suggestion of one of the allied (Continued on Page Two.)

PRESIDENT OF L. & N. RAILWAY COMPANY DEAD

family is announced, including Ed-win Denby, of Michigan, for secre-a heart attack. Mr. Smith had been tary of the navy.

Taking of testimony in the Varner case is concluded, the issues agreed years old and continuously had been president of the Louisville & Nasha heart attack. Mr. Smith had been storm of debate near the midnight hil for several months and his death hour was the measure of Mr. Simwas not unexpected. He was 85 onhor, of Charleston, requiring a Mr. Smith was regarded as one of the foremost railroad men of the

islature, providing for five country and was especially well known in railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his rail-

MANDATES VERY BIG SUBJECT BEFORE THE LEAGUE COUNCIL

Colonel House Says This is a Question in Which the American People Should Have Much Concern, as It Is One in Which We Have an Economic Interest.

BY COL. E. M. HOUSE. The council of the league of ,natimus meets in Paris this week, and agenda is that of mandates. This question is one in which the American people should have much concern. It is not alone a new deit is one in which we have an econ-

generally have been controlled or exploited by some power for seifish purposes and the good that bas come from such control or expicita-tion has been merely incidental thereto. These backward commuized states—friction which times has resulted in war. Until the Paris conference there

general understanding or fixed poltions regarding the control or betterment of such states or territories. admittedly so bad that when the

of the late German colonies there Ad Valorem Tax for Schools was a general agreement that a more enlightened policy should be desire article XXII was incorporated in the covenant of the league of nations, and subsequently there was a commission appointed to sit for the purpose of preparing terms of the mandates. commission were Lord Milner, who had as his adviser Lord Pobert Ceoil; M. Simon, French minister the colonies; Viscount Chinda, Japan; Guglielmo Marcons for aly and Edward M. House, with late George Louis Beer as adviser.

lied and associated powers as ex-pressed in article XXII, we divided the mandates into three classes. Form A was to be used for Turkish empire, where their existince as independent states could be recognized provisionally subject gnized provisionally subject to rendering of administrative adand assistance by the

Important Measures.

Bill and Marriage Certificate Bill Go Through.

position of various contested matters ment. of large importance.

The most important matters dealt Japanese government "that the goy-Type "A", Great Britain manda- with were the final passage through ernment of the United States will sociation, and the Sapp measure rais- unofrtunate incident." from to 16. The two measures ed the American and the balloting for associate jus- Major General Nishihara,

ing last night and on its final passage man of General Nishihara had been through the house this morning, subjected to punishment of various degrees.

DIN LANGUAGE

EXCEEDINGLY FIRM

NGTON. Feb. 22.—(By lated Press.)—Equal op-listed the sensite House this morning. Subjected to punishment of various degrees.

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ing them to pay a fee of \$1 annually tenced to a similar punishment for

bill passed the senate today. The Dillon bill regulating Milton H. Smith Dies at Home was defeated late tonight in the was defeated late tonight in the house. The measure provided that no landlord in a town of 10,000 in-

> certificate by reputable physicians from males before contracting marfrom venereal discases.
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> By an overwhelming vote the bill

was passed.

S. C. Legislature Has Several Expresses Regret for Killing of for the educational and consors Lieutenant Langdon.

Workingmen's Compensation Expresses Hope That United States Will Appreciate "Sincere Spirit" of Japan.

COLUMBIA, Feb. 22.-Washing- on the part of the Japanese governon's birthday was celebrated by the ment over the fatal shooting of house without a reference to his Lieut. W. H. Langdon, an American name, but was commemorated by the naval officer, at Vladivostok early disposition in that body of routine in January is reiterated in the rematters arising between it and the ply of that government to the note senate and the consideration and dispose the United States govern-

The hope was expres

ed by the

the house of the co-operative bill fully appreciate the sincere spirit clause carrying the property tax for sponsored by the South Carolina di- in which the Japanese government state purposes, and in this shape the vision of the American Cotton as- has acted in dealing with this most Togolard ing the age of consent for women The Japanese government informs is included in the revenue

Zealand over Samoa; Great Britain marketing measure on second read-that various officers under the com-over Nauru; Union of South Africa inglast night and on its final passage man of General Nishihara had been will to some degree oppose t

the senate, which has not acted on it yet.

The billi as passed by the house, would create a marketing bureau, which would have charge of the supervision of the grading and stapling of all cotton sold in the state, Official cotton graders would be employed for this purpose, the bureau sending a grader to any place where 50 or more bales are gathered together. The president of the South Carolina division of the American mary responsibility for the unfortu
The billi as passed by the house, "A most thorough and exhaustive by the president of the South carolina division of the house, "A most thorough and exhaustive by the president of the South carolina division of the sample follows:

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ing them to pay a fee or a support of the same of the same of the same of the present generation to a discussion of female adolescence.

There were various attempts to damend the measure in vital particular, but the majority of the house was determined to stand behind the on women's organizations sponsoring but hill. It was passed to the senate who are to be punished as above the senate sub-committee.

The commander manular in chief of the commanding officer of the shigh is regret at the occurrence of the incident. The sentry who fired the fatal shot has been held to be excused by the orders and actions of his superiors upon whom responsibility has been squarely placed and who are to be punished as above the senate sub-committee on military affairs, in completing the sentry, however, was the senate sub-committee.

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The workingmen's compensation days.

"In addition to the expressions of rent regret on the part of the commandin the er in chief of the Japanese expedithat no
in tionary force, the minister for forin eign affairs in commandin eign affairs in commandof this increase. Years, After Several Months' liliness.

house. The measure provided that no landlord in a town of 10,000 into habitants or over could charge an annual rental in excess of 30 percent of the realty occupied by him as shown on the auditor's abstract to the Manual rental in excess of 30 percent of the realty occupied by him as shown on the auditor's abstract. Hotels and rooming, houses were exception of the Manual rental in excess of 30 percent of the Japanese government at the occurrence of this sad event and expressed the hope that the govern well fully appreciate the sincere spirit in which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has storm of debate near the midnight which the Japanese government has the occurrence of this sad event and expressed the hope that the government has the occurrence of the Louis and equipment. An increase also nection of the court-martial conveys and to the American government the expression of deep regret on the part of the Japanese government at the occurrence of this sad event and expressed the hope that the government at the occurrence of the Louis and equipment. An increase also an expression of deep regret on the part of the Japanese government at the occurrence of the Louis and equipment. An increase also an expression of deep regret on the part of the Japanese government at the occurrence of the Louis and equipment. An increase also an expression of deep regret on the part of the American government the expression of deep regret on the part of the American government the expression of deep regret on the part of the Louis and pression of deep regret on the part of the Japanese government at the occurrence of this sad event and expressed the hope that the government of the United States will fully ment of the United States will fully appropriate the sincere spirit in surances, committeemen said, the guard next year would number which the Japanese government has acted in dealing with this most unfortunate incident

> RUFFIN ESTATE VALUED riages to show that they were free AT HALF MILLION DOLLARS

Special to The Obe cents ad valorem tax for schools and graduated income tax ranging from one to three per cent.

Congressman John H. Small may be a candidate for the United States senate in 1924, says a report from Washington.

William F. McCombs, former chairman of the democratic national committee, dies in Greenwich. Com.

Country and was especially well known in railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad are rear as a telegrapher in charge of the wire service in the war between the states.

Special to The Observer.

WINSTON-SALEM, Feb. 22.—W.

Caruso, seriously ill here from pleurisy and heart trouble, passed to his will, probated today. The latest relapse, it was announced to his will, probated today. The latest relapse, it was announced to his will, probated today. The latest relapse, it was announced to his will here from pleurisy and heart trouble, passed with work in railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad and shipping circles in the south. He began his railroad and shipping circles in the south. Feb. 22.—Enrico Caruso, seriously ill here from pleurisy and heart trouble, passed to the wealthy cotton manue for the war between the states.

William F. McCombs, former of Louisville, and two daughters, Mrs. Caruso is still in attendance at the bedside.

Proposed in Measure

GRADUATED INCOME

Clans Gathering for Education and Censorship Batti Thomas Dixon Coming B

By R. E. Powell.
RALEIGH, Feb. 22.—Carryin
ad valorem tax of five cen and a graduated income tax raing from one to three per of the revenue act for 1921 was int duced in the lower branch of the

It anticipates a little m millions of dollars for the mair tenance of the state government during the coming year and for the support of the educational and charitable institutions. The ead ralorem tax is contrary to the annot hold a progressive

The introduction of this bill in

the house tonight by Governor Doughton, and defeat before a com-mittee this afternoon of the 1921 prohibition bill were the outstanding Egislative developments of the day Tonight the clans are gatherin battles before committees to row afternoon, and an extra thrill has been given the capital in the announcement that Dr. Thomas Dixon, in response to many wires would come back to Raleigh again tomorrow and be prepared to mate with Col. Isaac Meekins and Senato R. S. McCoin, champions of the coorship program of the ladies.

There is evident much surply that the finance committee sho

sentative Townsend, of Harnett the committee once back-tra At a late meeting last night ever, they agreed to re-inse

It will occas on top of the announcem will to some degree oppose the tax

A warm fight in the judiciary committee developed this afterno when Representative Cooke's bill to harmonize the state laws with the Volstead act was up for considera tion. After a long hearing, featured by the presence of the Rev. R. L. Davis, and a tilt between the anti-

tra court tax of \$50 for each conviction, the same to be employed

ARMY OF 175,000 MEN IS APPROVED BY THE SENATE SUB-COMMITTEE

by a vote of 75 to 19.

The house tonight adopted the unfavorable committee report of the bill of Mr. Smith, of Richland, to make November 11 of each year a state legal holiday in honor of the signing of the armistice in 1918.

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The 175,000 average in personne it was explained, would mean a army only of about 181,000 at the end of the next fiscal year as compared with 122,000 at the same time if the house figures were adopted.

Army officers in submitting estimates to the senate committee has requested the appropriation for a average nuerical strength of 181, 400.

The sub-committee representation of the sub-committee to the full commorrow. It is expected will be reported to the secont further delay.