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romise to Do Their Best to Maintain Law and Order

TROOPS STILL ON DUTY Metts Goes to Asheville Follow-

ing Conference With Barrett. Mills Open Monday.

Special to The Observer CONCORD, Aug. 26 .- Following the lead set Friday night by 591 members, several hundred other members of the textile union this county have reported to city and county officials today, and offered their services in maintaining law and order. It is estimated that fully ,000 members of the union in this ounty have pledged their services to eep the law, and during the entire lay a steady stream of union mem-

erg filed into the courthouse to pay helf respects to the sheriff.

Preparations are going forward monthly for the reopening of the area milis of the Cannon chain here Moeday morning. The mills to e opened are the Cabarrus, Gibson of Franklin. The management of states that enough employes signed up for work to assure nation of each department of

Adjutant General Metia and amies F. Barrett were in conference lere this morning, but neither made statement following the discussion. Ir. Barrett left at 1 o'clock for sheville, and stated that he had a statement to make It. io statement to make. It is exth Governor Morrison and ace-testile workers here last night

and today.

General Metts stated this afternoon that the troops stationed at the various fully in the county had not been withdrawn nor relieved of duty. The greater portion of the sentinels tave been withdrawn, the general tated, but guard lines will be maintained for the time being.

The general opinion here today that the troops will be withrawn from the city the first of

e withdrawn.
City and county officials today had
to statement relative to asking for
the withdrawal of the troops. Mayor Womble stated that he bed the union people were act-"in good faith" and that he operate fully" in seeking the withdrawal of the troops was "certa'n that law and order would prevail here."

HUNGRY REPUBLICANS HUNT FOR PIE COUNTER

Gilliam Grissom. Among Others, Is Barkis Willin'. but Must Wait.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT. WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—North arolina republican leaders are busy ain trying to land at the pie counnal Committeeman Morehead has been shoving the A. L. Caskell recommendation, but sident Harding is like Sam ne's old mule, slow of persuasion dull of recollection. Being lose at hand, Marion Butler, who is blocking the McCaskell game, re-freshens his memory. It looks now as if McCaskell would not get his

until the senate meets again fter the recess. nator Overman has gone home. and any nominations that come in ion to the appointments were made Simmons is here, but the orth Carolina senators like to work

ogether on the republican nomina-

get by the senate first. The oppoto be as strong or as aggressive as it was several months ago. It may low over, but the guess here is that is simply ambushed, and will shoot when the time comes. Gris-som is popular in republican headthe most active workers of the

SPARTANBURG POPULAR WITH KNIGHTS OF ROAD

cial to The Observe SPARTANBURG, Aug. 20.—This escition is overrun with tramps. Sight were sent to the chaingang esterday by a local magistrate and reopen if enough employes apply wo by the recorder. Six or eight for work on the same basis that the rounded up every day. There is lot of car breaking and petty lareny. There is hardly a night that they were working when they went out June 1. eny. There is hardly a night that yox cars at Hayne are not entered, but amall stores on the outskirts of the city are the prey of the wanderers. Yesterday afternoon while dra J. L. Keller, fromer school attendance officer, was away from some some tramps entered the nouse and proceeded to eat and erry away all she had cooked. They at at the table and helped them where to what she had prepared for he family's supper, and then took of what was left except a half cake of butter and a cake of cornbread, whole pound cake disappeared, as the side of the store of the family of the biscuit, but the cornered was not touched. Most of the tooks are white,

MORRISON BELIEVES

ASHEVILLE. Aug. 20.—Upon his return to the summer capitol this afternoon Governor Morrison this afternoon Governor Morrison stated that the sting in the situation at Concord has passed, and that no doubt complete order will be established in the near future. He expressed his pleasure at having received a warm reception by all parties, and was exceedingly gratified at the courtesies shown and the spirit of fairness manifested by all concerned.

fested by all concerned.

The action of textile workers is

The action of textile workers is construed by the governor as evidencing their willingness to respect law and order and to adhere to their duty.

Governor Morrison tonight repeated that he went to Concord rejuctantly, and said that he is now truly glad that he went.

"I think I did the right thing," said the governor, and "the sentiment witnessed was of the kindest ment witnessed was of the kindest

Upon his return here today several applications for pardons were awaiting consideration, but no efinite announcement as to probable action was made at the sum-

No Definite Announcement as President, who said if they could to Opening Time, However.

One Mill Each of Johnston and Chadwick-Hoskins Systems May Open Soon.

Some of the Charlotte textile mills are expected to open within the next few days, after having been closed since June 1, although no definite time has been set for the opening mill officials said

rounds that the Louise mill Chadwick-Hoskins system Highland Park No. 1, of the ston chain expected to open day, but mill men said last no definite decision has reached.

y, but when Monday, pending the outcome the opening of the three military will concord Monday morning.

wick-Hoskins system, said that he shipping board.

No Easy Task. has no definite announcement to

future, although no time has been of government appointment and today announced that it would prosecute Thomas Jackson. of Ayden, for burning in the Mecklenburg vice have been obliged to complete a pressing club in 1913, and on which mill live in the mill village, since

Supt. J. T. Jordan said last night. A few of the employes of the Chadwick-Hoskins and Johnston systems are said to have made apthough the numbers are said to be "There are approximately \$200,-small. The announcements made 000,000 in claims against the ship-

The four mills here of the Chadvick-Hoskins system, including the tors whose members know Chadwick, the Hoskins, Louise and thing concerning the business. x x MOONSHINERS USING

about 400, are also closed.

The Brown and Norcott mills at Concord, belonging to the Johnston Monday, Mr. Johnston said last night, although efforts may be made the outcome of the opening of the

running Monday, if the three mill is being ended as speedily as the open according to schedule. None of the Charlotte mills have

"It must be kept in mind at all times that the administrative agents

respening the mills in Charlotte LIEUT. FREDERICK EWING few days, as a result of the reopening of the mills in Kannapolis and practically all of those that have been closed down in Concord.

BILL TO PASS MONDAY. WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 .- Generwashing to., Aug. 10.—General debate in the house on the senate agricultural relief bill was completed (onight with a vote of passage scheduled for Monday.

When the house adjourned a motion by Representative Wingo, democrat, Arkansas, to recommit the

"Unspeakable Losses and Unutterable Waste"-Harding.

CONGRESS' HELP Wants Co-Operation With Ad-

ministration to Reduce Losses to a Minimum. WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 .- The closest co-operation between Con-

gress and the administration in an effort to bring shipping board losses down to a minimum was urged today by President Harding in a letter to Senator Jones, republican.

Washington, read to the senate during consideration of a bill carrying fast, 500,000 for the board's activities.

Taxes at Once.

Representative Oscar E. Repres ties. The President said there had been "unspeakable losses and unutterable wastes" which must be charged to the war emergency.

Chairman Lasker's effort to get big men to aid in putting the board on its feet was approved by the end operating losses their salaries would be more than justified. At the same time there was presented a letter from Chairman Lasker saying that sooner or later Con-gress would be called upon to ap-propriate \$390,000,000 in outstanding claims, inherited from the for-

Harding's Letter. The President's letter giving his views at length on the general shipping situation follows in part:
"I could not fail to note the dissatisfaction expressed in both ho and senate over the very unsatisfactory condition of affairs or the shipong board and the reluctance of Congress to make appropriations continued activities of the

board without putting specific re-

straint upon the board's activities in employing agents of relief. "From your position, you are probably as familiar with the affairs of the board as I am and I hope 30 to June 30. you will make it a point to lay the grant but implement truth become amount it. Mr. your colleagues.

avail nothing to attempt to outline you have and exert yourself to col-how the intolerable state of affairs lect all this is due the state." ther than that he would make no came about. Our great problem announcement, saying that he has curing the situation. The difficulty no definite plans for opening any of this task becomes very apparent to me, and had its reflex in the de-E. C. Dwelle, head of the Chad-lay in the final selection of the

make relative to opening either of the four mills of the company here. capable men to the solution of this although it is possible that one or task. Chairman Lasker is making pore of the mills may open at any a very heavy sacrifice to give his me. The same situation is said to ex- cult work. He has been able to ist with reference to the Meckien-burg mill, owned by M. L. Jackson. Mr. Jackson was in Charlotte dur-ing the week and is said to be con-departments, to establish such ordepartments, to establish such orsidering opening his mill in the near ganizations by the ordinary methods

ployes living in the Mecklenburg vice have been obliged to complete-mill village have asked that the mill ly sacrifice their private interests h work, although probably not more made with the knowledge that the The circumstances are unique, than half of the 200 employes of the period of employment with the gov-

by officials of these mills several weeks ago, that they will reopen on the same basis as when they closed if enough employes apply to return to work, are said still to be open.

The ambushed and the same against the shipping board. No business man would venture upon the settlement of these claims without highly capable legal representation. The staggering losses in operation can business man trial staggering losses in operation can only be cured by a board of opera-

No Overpayment. on June 1, employ altogether between 500 and 600 workers normally. Even if a start should be of incapable men at excessive salar-Brownlow Jackson should get the made, it is not believed that all of marshal's job without much delay unless some hitch now not seen holds it up.

Gilliam Grissom, selected by the Morehead-Linney combine for collector, is on the waiting list. He has been down and looked over Collector Bailey's offices, and is ready to take control, but he must get by the senate first. The oppo-

promises for the shipping board. I would like the Congress to know we string and together employing are speedily arranging the discon-about 256 workers, will not open up tinuance of many lines of service which are being operated at a loss to the government, and we are open these mills soon, pending ing soon to have an end to all the un ortunate charter contracts under three other Cannon mills at Con- which the charterers are made cord Monday morning. These two whole and share in the profits, if three other Cannon milis at conduction of the Buffalo mill, an adany, while the government bears and the Locke mill, are the only the brunt of all the losses. This is

> situation will permit. who are now asking for the confi-dence and the co-operation of Con-

GOES INTO REGULAR ARMY

BY H. E. C. BRYANT. WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 20.— First Lieutenant Frederic Ewing, of Fayetteville, has been re-appointed to his place in the infantry of the

egular army. Examinations are to be held for costmasters at Rich Square and Sec-Postoffice inspectors will investi-gate with a view to naming post-masters at Bina, Boiling Springs and Smithport.

court today, signed an order per-manently restraining J. W. Balley, collector of Internal reve-nue for North Carolina, from selling the property of J. M. Ray, 77 years old, and his son Bascom Ray, to satisfy assess-ments made by the commissioner of internal revenue following a report of that office chapsing the two with manufacturing whis-key. In affidayits submitted to manufacturing whis key. In affidavits submitted to Judge Boyd, it was chaged that revenue officers set fire to a barn belonging to the defendants. alleging that it concealed a still. In the ruins, the affidavit said, the only metal to be found was a feeding way.

Jackson Confesses to Burning Store as Result of Con-

version by McLendon. Charlotte Observer Bureau. Yarborough Hotel.

BY R. E. POWEIL. RALEIGH! Aug. 20 State Treasurer Ben Lacy today called on \$3 deurer Ben Lacy today called on \$5 de-linquent sheriffs for a settlement of taxes, and in telegraphic dispatches to these officials reminded them that unless state funds are forthcoming. unless state funds are forthcoming lating for the good of the people he will request district solicitors to without regard for the effect on start prosecutions for collection.

Mr. Lacy would not make public the names of the sheriffs nor the counties delinquent in their settlecounties delinquent in their settle- republican congressmen will say ment of taxes. He said, however, when the White House patronage is that this would be done if his appeal disturbed, today does not bring the money due to the misunder among officials as to the close fiscal year, the last general assemble having changed this from N

"I now write to say th

Bank resources for North Carolina at the close of business on June 30 last amounted to \$388,646,573.88. according to figures made public by the banking department of the cor poration commission today. This is a decrease of more than sixty-four million dollars in both state and fed-eral banks as compared with the

tatement of last year.
The resources for this year, for the fiscal year, in the state banks are \$242,374,573.88, a decrease of fortytwo million, as compared with the statement of a year ago, and an increase of forty-eight millions as eriod ending June 30, 1919. The state insurance department

he reopened so they can return to and, in some cases, the sacrifice is Insurance company.

The circumstances are unique.

mill live in the mill village, since ernment is only temporary. Under any investigation of the fire, and the some of them have moved out, these conditions, and because of the fact that it was set by Jackson was fact that hundreds of millions are involved, it is unavoidable that some sion he made several weeks ago. It is unavoidable that some sion he made several weeks ago. It is unavoidable that some sion he made several weeks ago. It is nearing to mean the measurement compensation in responsible places was moved, he said in a statement to the people of Ayden, to the conversion fession as a result of his conversion finally passed by the house, with nearly 100 committee amendments, nearly 100 committee amendments. lication to return to work, al-lof government compensation. fession as a result of his conversion hough the numbers are said to be There are approximately \$200,- by Rev. Baxter McLendon, the Palmetto whirl wind of the saw dust Jackson has been arested and is

now under bond. Inspectors of the department, as requested by the insurance people, will aid the prosecu-

KEROSENE OIL HEAT

Scheme to Do Away With Dangerous Smoke.

Special to The Observer.

GASTONIA. Aug. 20.—Hidden away in a dense thicket with a swamp on one side and a steep hill on the other, a blockade still of between 40 "I do not venture to make and 50 gallons capacity was captured Deputy Sheriffs Cole, Kiser and Policeman A. B. Hord.

The still was not only well hidder but was located on a lonely, unin-habited farm in a place very difficult o get to. The still was not in operaion and no arrests were made, officers neither seeing any one nor having any clue as to the operators. A small amount of whiskey was found.

The still had apparently not been

in use for several days, but the malt on hand appeared to be almost ready for use. A jug containing about two gallons of whiskey and a pint in a bottle was the only liquor that was captured.

dence and the co-operation of Congress are in no wise responsible for the condition of affairs which have shocked the country, and given the Congress such great concern."

captured.

The captured still illustrated a new wrinkle that has recently been sprung in whiskey making. The moonshiners have found smoke to be too dangerous for their business. Looking about for means of obtaining the necessary heat, they adopted the use of the kerosene oil burner, which of the kerosene of burner, which serves the purpose admirably. The captured still was equipped with such burners and this probably accounted for the still not being discovered before it was.

BODY GOES TO OLD HOME. WINSTON-SALEM Aug. 20.—The uneral of Capt M. L. Pankey, spewho was found dead in his office chair here last evening, was held tonight, and the body was shipped to Alvarado, Texas, where interment

So Congressman Keller, Minnesota Republican, Declares.

BILL PASSES THE HOUSE Democrata Believe It a Fraud and Some Republicans Think Little Better of It.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT. WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 .- Republican leaders are rushing their tax legislation, but they ear the result. They are severely criticized

by their own people. Representative Oscar E. Keller,

of the standpat G. O. P. The so-called tax reductions of of the the Fordney revenue bill are pure- great political leaders. ly illusory and have been plished only on paper for political effect by the palpable juggling of figures," said Mr. Keller today.

"The bifl bears unmistakable evi-dence of deceit and hypocrasy. It has been railroaded through the house on the plea that its passage will revive business. It will

politics, are trying to make parti-san capital out of the present dis-tressing situation. What Keller has the nerve to say now prominent

Many western republicans in the does not bring the money house and senate are beginning to Delay in some cases he be-hear from the people back home on the to the misunderstanding the tariff and the tax. Some of the tariff and the tax.

them threaten insurgency. That accounts for the anxiety of old guard leaders over the southern states. Fed up on talk to the effect that with the negro out of the count the south would be for protection and the republican party.

The state of the south state of the state of hold those they have

BILL PASSES BY ALMOST

By the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The tax revision bill of 1921, estimated to cut \$818,000,000 from the nation's tax burden by 1923, was passed late today by the house, 274 to 125, on an almost straight party vote. Three democrats supported the measure and nine republicans.

Cording to Frank A. Linney, was recently confirmed for that potton by the United States senate.

Mr. Linney was in Charlotte yeterday acquainting himself with the details of the district attorney's office here?

He was to have met Stonewall Durham, present district attorney.

voted against it. As compared with this number of republicans were 50 who voted for democratic motion to recommit the bill for elimination of the pro- his office before the middle of next vision repealing the income sur-This sylvania, voting against it. up after the end of the recess on

September 21.

Meantime the senate finance committee will hold additional pubthe bill is estimated to produce a total of \$2,347,000,000 revenue this fiscal year, or \$221,000,000 less than the estimate under the exist-

As repeal of the excess profits tax and higher income surtax rates would not become effective until next January 1, the full force of the measure will not be reflected in government receipts until the calendar year, 1923, but republican leaders say that through repeal of the transportation and other taxes the reduction in the tax bill in the next calendar year will be approximately \$512,000.000. Principal Changes.

The principal changes in present tax levies made by the bill as passed include: Repeal of the excess profits tax, effective next January 1.
Increase of the corporation income tax from 10 to 12 1-2 per cent, effective next January Repeal of the income surtax

rates from 32 per cent to 65 per cent, inclusive. Increased exemptions of families, effective as of last January 1, to 2,500 for incomes not in excess of \$5,-600 and additional exemption

for dependents to \$400 from Repeal of the transportation taxes, effective next January 1. Repeal of the tax on life, fire and marine insurance poli-cies and imposition of the corporation tax of 12 1-2 per cent on all such insurance companles, except fraternal, effective

next January 1. Repeal of the taxes on fountain drinks, ice cream, and other beverages and the substitution of manufacturers' taxes as follows: Four cents taxes as follows: Four cents a gallon on cereal beverages; five cents a pound on carbonic acid gas; two cents a gallon on fruit fuices of soft driffs; three cents a gallon on still drinks, exclusive of mineral and table water, and 10 cents a gallon on fountain syrups. These changes would go into force on enactment of the law. Repeal of the stamp taxes on perfumery, cosmetic, toilet

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Morrison And Daniels To Speak On Same Occasion

From the Same Platform the Same Night, Addressing N. C American Legion at Hendersonville This Week-Program Out.

known, but Governor Cameron Morrison and Josephus Daniels, former deliver addresses the same evening at the annual convention of the North Carolina state department of the American Legion, meeting in Hendersonville next Friday and Satur-

Governor Morrison and former cretary Daniels occupied the stage at the graduating exercises at the weeks ago and offered advice to the young men and women receiving diplomas that created a stir throughout the state, because of the out the state, because of the con-tradictory and opposite advice they offered in their addresses to the Uni-

versity graduates. During the past week Secretary Daniels, through his Raleigh paper, has called Governor Morrison back to Raleigh from the summer capitol in Asheville to look after the affairs of the state, Governor Morrison re-At that time Senator Norris, of plying with some heat, then cooled Nebraska, was the thorn in the flesh off, but that did not prevent the thrill that passed over the state as a result

They are to occupy the same plat-form and deliver addresses at the legion convention in Henderconville Friday night of this week according to the program that has just been sent out by Cale K. Burgess, department adjutant. Although no place is made on the program for a rejoinder, such a thing might happen in the best regulated of conventions, since the former fighters from this state are known not to be adverse to

Whether or not it will develop into | hearing a forensic encounter between a joint debate, with rejoinders, is not two such leaders.

known, but Governor Cameron MorNor is this expected to be all of the worth while stuff that is to be pulled secretary of the navy, are scheduled at the legion meeting. In the next to occupy the same platform and place, Major Alfred L. Bulwinkle now a member of the house of rep resentatives from the sixth Carolina district, is scheduled for an

ddress Friday afternoon Other big guns to be fired during the convention include an address. Saturday morning by Charles R. Forbes, director of the Veterans' bureau. Washington, D. C.; Alvin M. Owsley, national director of the Americanism committee of the American legion; address of welcome Fri day morning by Wiltshire Griffith, Hendersonville tenth district committeeman, and response by Dan S. Hollenga, alternate national com-

Then, too, Miss Lucy J. Chamber-iain, field representative of the Amer-ican Red Cross, will hold a liaison with legion in the work for ex-service men. Reports of Cyrus D. Hogue Wilmington, department commander, and Cale K. Burgess, Raleigh, adjutant and finance

features. The Friday night meeting will be open to the legion, the woman's auxiliary and the public.

Reports from Hendersonville are to the effect that the Hubert M. Smith post, Wiltshire Griffith, post commander, the Hendersonville Kiwanis club and the Hendersonville board of trade, along with numerous other individuals and organizations. are making extensive plans for royally entertaining the visitors of Friday

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Frank A. Linney, District At- Appeals From Verdict and Sentorney, for Enforcement.

Newly Appointed Official Here

Enforcement of the prohibition laws and the prosecution of "dry" STRAIGHT PARTY VOTE law violators will be the chief task of the district attorney's office, ac- by Judge Bryson this morning for cording to Frank A. Linney, who Sidney A. Kincaid, Burke county was recently confirmed for that posi-

details of the district attorney's of-He was to have met Stonewall J. the measure and nine republicans Durham, present district attorney. but Mr. Durham was prevented from being here on account of pressing court affairs elsewhere.

Mr. Linney will not be sworn into

week, he thinks. Since the appointment of a state motion was lost, 169 to 230, with prohibition director, the affairs of one democrat, Campbell of Penn- the district attorney's office in regard to the enforcement of the pro-The bill will be sent Monday to the senate, where it will be taken clittated, in the opinion of Mr. Linney. But still the vigorous prose-cution of violations of the law will consume much of the attorney

> time. Appointment of the assistant district attorneys is made by the attor-ney. Mr. Linney has decided to recommend as assistant for the district Thomas Harkins, of Asheville, trict Thomas Harkins, of Asheville, and Charles A. Jonas, of incolnton. These recommendations have not yet been dispatched to Washington, but says Mr. Linney, he will shortly file his recommendations.
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> They will succeed Hamilton C. Jones, of Charlotte, and Major Wade H. Phylling of Levington, who were

H. Phillips, of Lexington, who were appeinted by Mr. Durham when he was named district attorney upon the resignation of Congressman C. Hammer.
A chief clerk and two stenogra-

phers will also be named by the new attorneys. Hal M. Worth, now chief clerk, will remain in the office here until Mr. Linney has become acfice. One of the stenographers will ome from the civil service appointees, said Mr. Linney.
Mr. Linney considers his appointment as an "absolute vindication" of the charges brought against him by

certain negroes and negro organizations that he was attempting to deprive the negroes of their legal and constitutional rights of suffrage.

A strong fight was made against the appointment of Mr. Linney, numerous pet'tions having been placed the United States senate for that body to refuse to appoint the chairman of the North Carolina republican executive committee.

When the charges were heaped up so high against the Tar Heel republican the senate appointed a subcommittee to investigate the allega-tions. The hearing in Washington, at which time Mr. Linney says he clearly set forth his position on the "negro question," attracted nation-

wide attention.

Mr. Linney is anxious that the proceedings of the hearing be made public, but the senate has voted against the publication of the entire

Mr. Linney explained yesterday afternoon that his desire to eliminate the negro from politics is based on the desire for the recognition of the desire for the recognition of the amendments to the North Caro-lina constitution that call for an educational qualification before the educational qualification before the right of suffrage is attained.

"My confirmation by the senate means more to the republican party of the south than anything that has happened in half a century, for it gives approval to the course pursued by the party in this state for the last 20 years and opens the way for

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tence of 18 Years Hard Labor.

Judge Bryson Addresses Crowd Liquer Traffic.

MORGANT teen years at lard labor in the state prison was the sentence pronounced of wife murder had been in progress m the naMr. Linney was in Charlotte yessince Tuesday. Attorneys for the
1923, was terday acquainting himself with the,
defendant immediately gave notice of appeal and the court announced an appeal bond of \$250 and an appearance bond of \$10.000

Kincaid is still in jail but it is said that the bond is being arranged. However, at the clerk's office late this afternoon The Observer corres-pondent was told that it had not yet been signed. It doubtless will be arranged early next week and Kincaid will be a free man during the three months requested for the preparation of his appeal to the supreme The Lincoln county jury

nouncing the verdict of second de-gree murder at exactly midnight. They left early this morning for their home. Before dismissing them last night Judge Bryson took oc-casion to commend and thank them for their patient hearing of the case. It is understood that on first bailot the jury stood three for a first county complained of unequal treat-degree verdict and nine for sec-ment. The finances of the county is the subject here today of much fund was depleted. The board of favorable comment, they were inond. dence which should guide them in opportunity to be heard in the ex-returning first or second degree mur-der, manslaughter or acquittat protect the interest of the county

he said was his usual custom and into court. With the abstract commented to the throng g thered proposition involved, the Ca

JO JO SAYS



Partly cloudy with scattered showers today; somewhat cooler tonight

Democrats say republicans really did "break" the solid south.

More Language Being Spilled Tobacco Tax Fight.

"DEADLY PARALLEL

Griffin Says Whole Matter Has Developed into a Personal Attack on Colonel Watts.

Charlotte Observer Bureau Yarborough Ho:

BY R. E. POWELL. RALEIGH, Aug. 20 .- Taking Corporation Commissioner Maxwell'r

deadly parallel" for his text for mer Tax Clerk J. S. Griffin reappea ed in the tax fight today with the suggestion that Mr. Maxwell's "ox" has been gored, and the demand the The whole thing, asserts Me sonal attack on Col. Aus Watts, while "simply this and nothing more

ts out in his statement that vested with full authority points order the re-assessment made by all late Col. Osborn and others and the the failure of the state tax commis-sion to adopt the Osborn report by the singular and outstanding proval of his work in administering revaluation. Storm Center of Fight. Colonel Watts, the storm cen of the fight, remained reticent tod saying only that he expected to make no further statement in connection with the matter. Adverting particularly to the charge that the tobacc

larly to the charge that the tobacco companies insured their holdings for twice the assessment charged against them, a feature of the controversy more or less magnified in the editorial assaults on Col. Watts, the colonel stated that he knew nothing of the insurance figures and that this aspect of the case had no connection whatever with the valuation fixed by the tax commissioner of fixed by the tax of himself. Mr. Griffin says:
"With the returns all in so far with respect to the controversy al the reduction in tax valuation stocks of tobacco of the Amer Tobacco company and Linguis M

company in the face of whole matter resolves its attack on Col. Watts. " and nothing more." "We have all heard ab parallels and that sort whether or not the ox 'hollered From all the evidence in the case is looks like somebody made a 'hol-ler.' Whether he had been gored or galled previously, he 'hollered.

"Let's get to business: Case of Cannon Mills. "J. W. Cannon owns the largest cotton mill interest in North Carolina. He is ultra rich. In 1926 the board of appraisers and review of Cabarrus county, acting by and with the consent of authorized ap praisers of the eld state tax com-mission, assessed for taxation the Cannon properties in Cabarrus of county commissioners of Cabarrus county met and fixed their tax rates accordingly in September, 1920. In November, 1920, the old state tax commission, on November 25, 1920, heard the Cannon heard the case deliberated for a mills ex-parte, without notice little over an hour last night, anany of the county authorities, and reduced Cannon from \$19,480,308 to \$9,286,689, Notice was issued to the county commissioners of Cabarrus county

"Every other mill in Cabarrus In the judge's charge, which were embarrassed. The structed on the elements in the evi- county, not having been given an der, manslaughter or acquittat protect the interest of the county
There is general approval of the and the people, asked the old state register and the sentence. The retax commission to rehear the case,
morse and broken condition of the
prisoner elicited such sympathy for
him that it would have caused regret
at a first degree verdict.

The old state tax commission declined to do so, and took the position that from their sacred decision no appeal would ite. A him that it would have caused regret the that from their sacred at a first degree verdict.

In passing sentence this morning, mandamus proceeding was in Judge Bryson departed from what tuted in an effort to bring the control of the commented to the throng gathered in the court room on the lesson the tragedy should bring of the effects of blockade liquor, making the statement that on the conscience of the man who sold Sidney Kincaid the liquor should rest much of the blame for the death of his wife.

The commented to the throng gathered interests were not concerned, and could not have appeared. When the case came on for hearing the state tax commission was represented by the attorney general and E. T. Cansler and J. F. Crowell, Mr. Cannon's regularly paid attorneys. Mr. Maxwell was a member of the old state tax commission. He sate in on this case and it received his sanction. sanction.

One Fact Overlooked.

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