## **GOVERNOR PLEADS** FOR REFERENDUM

Asks Special Session For Legislation on Report of Port Commission-Honor Governor Craig.

Raleigh,-Governor Morrison in his address to the special session of legis-lature emphatically recommended a referendum to determine the fate of the port movement.

For two hours and four minutes in a message of unparalleled length, and speaking with enthusiastic vigor, the Governor drove hard at every stronghold of the opposition and counterattacked heavily with argument in de fense of his proposal to reduce the general burden of freight rates by providing a basis of competition that he contends will cut the foundation from under the railroad-made rate struc-

"I believe if it is submitted to the people it will carry every county in North Carolina," he said, adding later that "they know and understand that it means a greater and stronger North Carolina. Their courage is high, their determination absolutely dependable.

The recommendations which the governor asked to be covered in the legislation calls for a \$7,000,000 bond issue for port terminal facilities in the Cape Fear basin and at inland port cities and towns; authorization of \$1.500,000 bond issue for the purchase and operation of ships, if that undertaking should be found necessary, and the creation of a perman ent port commission to devote ifself to developing commerce for water

He excepted the railroad from consideration in the proposed legislation because he said successful port development is not dependent upon it. However, he asked for authority to name a special commission "to represent the state in an effort to overcome by every legitimate means the dismen berment of the old Cape Fear and Yadkin Villey railroad, as a railway entity," and to seek its restoration as an independent or at least a continu-

Speaks Two Hours.

The governor spoke for two hours and when he concluded he apparently was almost exhausted. He departed from his customary style of extemporaneous delivery and read his message from the prepared manuscript.

The senators and representatives, and a crowd of spectators which packed the house gallery, listened attentively and applauded him at the end. The message drew the attention of the general assembly first to the error

in the sinking fund act and the neces sity for correcting it before it is sub mitted in the general election to be voted upon as a constitutional amend Then he dug into the subject of de

veloping water commerce and touched speaker, and Mrs. Henry G. Connor, of upon all the features of the commission report and recommendations as well as undertaking to answer arguments which have been offered in op-

The house and senate did little beyond attend to the opening formalities in the hour before they met in joint session. A resolution was passed on the death of former Governor Locke Craige, and senators spoke on his life and service to the state. Resolutions of respect for three members of the house and one member of the senate who have died since the last session were also adopted.

With the predominant sentiment in the house apparently for submitting the port proposal to the people, Governor Morrison's emphatic recommen dation was accepted as making certain the referendum. Legislative champions still propose to fight for final action, but this afternoon they were

not very hopeful.

do not know how to get around that. With the administration bill containing the provision, it was admitted that it would be almost impossible to get an amendment passed to strike it

There was talk of introducing another bill, identical with the administration bill, but eliminating the referendum proposal.

An effort was being made this afternoon to get a conference with Governor Morrison in the hope that he might be induced to eliminate that feature. The hill will berdly be intro

duced before Monday, sand Emmett H. Bellamy, one of the leaders of the port fight, and it is possible the desired change may be made by

In putting his faith in the refer endum, the governor evidenced the

Cotton Crop 58 Per Cent Normal

The condition of cotton in North Carolina is 58 per cent of normal at present. Tis condition is an improvement of 2 per cent over that reported July 16th, according to Co-operative Crop Reporting Service. The prelimi-nary estimate of the acreage cultivated this year was reported last month as 1,822,000 acres in North Carolina which is 8 per cent more than was cul-tivated last year. This indicates a production, at the present condition, of 753,956 bales.

determination to accept no compro mise that might lead the legislature to take final action. His message stressed the importance of the recommendation for appropriation for state owned ships and paramounted that with port terminals.

He did not accept the argument that an east-west trunk line railway is at all essential in successful port development. North Carolina itself produces on the farm and in its industrial areas the commodities that will go to make up cargoes for ships, he said. The various sections of the state have ample railway facilities leading to the port cities, and the shippers can, consign their products by whatever route they choose.

The growing use of the motor truck in transportation was stressed by the executive. In the 25 counties located on navigable streams, and the 25 others in close proximity, the truck and North Carolina good roads could make them independent of railway lines al together, he pointed out.

There was a bit of disappointment for the enthusists who had expected the Governor to abandon his stand for a referendum and put the matter action of the Legislature. While he letf them plenty of room in which to "take the bull by the horns" and pass the legislation necessary to put the recommendations of the commission into operation, he also expressed con fidence in the outcome if the whole thing is sent for approval at the No vember election.

Wades Into Opposition.

With striking evidence of East and West connections now available to the shipping interests of the State, the Governor effectively, it appeared tore lown the argument raised by the opposition that the whole report of the commission is empty without the pur chase, or return, of the dismember Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad

The Governor only briefly touched upon the emergency in connection the sinking fund amendmen which is to be submitted to the people His remarks in his message dealing with this have been correctly antici cipated. The only new thing he presented was the assurance the State treasurer and the Governor have given to bankers that it would not be sub mitted as enacted by the regular ses sign.

Senators Long, Delaney, Harris Verser and others congratulated him neartily at the conclusion of his message. The arrangement of his exit was such that few house members could express to him their opinion of his speech.

Mrs. Morrison and Angelia, the Gov ernor's daughter, sat in the hall of the House as did Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Mrs. John G. Dawson, wife of the

Memory of Governor Craig. Both houses when they adjourned following the governor's message, did so out of respect to the memory of

former Governor Craig.
Lieutenant Governor Cooper, was in the chair in the senate and Speaker John G. Dawson presiding in the house when the special session was convened at 11:02 o'clock. Rev. D. E. Hartley, rector of the Episcopal church in Kinston, of which Speaker Dawson is a member, offered invocation in the house, and Rev. Mr. Corey, of Raleigh,

in the senate In the house, three resolutions were introduced on the death of members, one on the death of E M McIver, of Lee county, introduced by Representative Murphy, of Salisbury; one on the death of Wiley Nelson, of Madison introduced by Nettles, of Buncombe while the third resolution was on the

death of W. M. Sanders, of Smithfield. The port bill, which has been care- burg, in the senate, and Representafully guarded from public perusal, is tive W. W. Neal, of McDowell, in the said to include a provision for the house, offered the resolutions notifyreferendum. The final action people ing the governor that the legislature had organized and was ready to hear

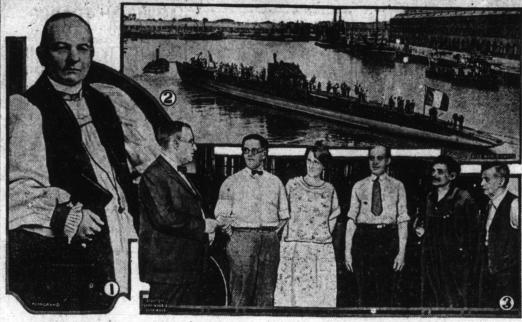
> The resolution of respect to the memory of Governor Craig was introduced by Senator D. F. Giles, of Mc Dowell, He, together with Senator Plato Ebbs, of Buncombe, Senator Rivers Johnson, of Dunlin, and Senator Joe Brown, of Columbus, spoke on the life of Governor Craig, while Lieutenant Governor Cooper added an appre ciation. The resolution was adopted

by a rising vote. Over in the Senate, there was considerable discussion of Governor Cooper and his presence. The Demo and since he has declined to follow advice, they are washing their hands of the whole business. The next move and the one that has been feared most may come from a Republican,

Planting More Beans

Elizabeth City.—Evidence of the increasing readiness of the Pasquotank county farmers to turn to diversification is to be seen on every hand, but it is especially evident to the seed mer chant that a new day is drawing on the Pasquotank.

One of the crops that is becoming more and more popular with farmers who are putting their eggs into more than one basket is snap beans. Buxton White of the Buxton White Seed Company reports that each season more snap bean seed are sold.



1-Bishop H. R. Carson of the Episcopal diocese of Haiti, who has been granted the use of American nayy airplanes to fly from parish to parish. 2-France's newest and finest submarine, the Requin, in Cherbourg harbor. 3-J. R. Emery, owner of a big motor livery in Chicago, presenting the business to his vet-

## **CURRENT EVENTS**

Allies and Germans Getting Together to Put Dawes Plan Into Operation.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

CHANCELLOR MARX and his German colleagues, called to London to confer with the allies on measures for putting the Dawes plan into opcration, showed so sincere a desire to reach an agreement that hopes for the restoration of Europe were high. After being given a friendly reception by Prime Minister MacDonald, Premier Herriot and the other allied representatives, the Germans were handed the documents comprising the plans adopted before their arrival and were requested to examine them speedily and make reply. This they did, and their "observations" regarding the work of the conference, 60,-000 words in length, were submitted the next day. In general, and so far as the Dawes plan is concerned these appeared quite satisfactory for a starter and it was believed the committees of experts to which the German documents were handed for careful examination would be able to revise and alter them so that they would accord with the British and French proposals. The Germans reserved the right to supplement their first statement after more detailed consideration of the allied proposi-

Accompanying the German documents was a covering letter saying that there were certain questions out-side the scope of the Dawes plan and the conference which must be settled. Chief of these were the matter of the military evacuation of the Ruhr and the personnel of the German railways in the occupied territory. Dispatches from London said that the French already had begun negotiating with the Germans concerning the evacuation of the Ruhr, offering to carry this out if the Germans would agree to the continuance of German armaments by the military control mission. Marx also demanded that persons expelled from the Ruhr be permitted to return, and the French were willing to con cede this if the Berlin government would agree not to persecute those Germans in the occupied region who had co-operated with the forces of oc-

David Lloyd George and other political opponents of Prime Minister MacDonald have been attacking his held his own in the debates. He informed the house of commons that if the conference were finally successful. these three agreements were to be ex-

1. An agreement between the German government and the reparations commission regarding, matters within the competence of the reparations commissions.

2. An agreement between the allied governments and the German government regarding matters requiring to be settled by direct agreement. 3. An agreement between the allied

covernments themselves regulating matters of interallied concern. In the main Premier Herriot's course was approved in France, esecially his refusal to permit any dis-

ussion of war guilt in the conference.

QUITE unexpectedly, the Anglotently for months, has resulted in a neasure of success. Early last week the British foreign office announced the parley had falled and was broken off, but MacDonald at once got into action, invited the Russians to rethe conference, and brought about an agreement for the signing to his indorsement of the LaFolletteone general. Rough drafts of these were drawn up and initialed, and the prime minister insisted on em without waiting for the approval of parliament. The treaties attacked by the opposition. David Lloyd George denounced

treatment in Russia and that .Great immunity to a certain number known, but it is believed it provides LaFollete. for British guarantee of a loan to that the Russians would negotiate with the bondholders.

Prime Minister MacDonald is exceedingly anxious for consummation of these treatles with Russia, for the trade unions believe that they will mean more work and greater prosperity for the British workingman. They constitute an important part of tacked by the opposition.

Re-establishment of relations with Russia is a very live question in France. It is favored by certain inancial interests which seek control France. of the Chinese Eastern railway, and of course by the Communists. But the Socialists of France are against it and Premier Herriot has become ukewarm toward Russian negotiations, presumably to obtain and keep Socialist votes. The Communist press blames Secretary of State Hughes repeating the denied story that he told the premiers in London that so ong as Europe countenanced bolshevism, America could not help it.

BULGARIA on one side and Yugo-Slavia and Greece on the other are still sniping at each other across the borders, and the danger of an outbreak of war has not been removed. Last week Bulgaria called 3,000 reservists to the colors and Serbia put up a loud wail. The French and British governments are doing their best to prevent actual hostilities.

A MERICA'S globe-circling air squadron had both good and bad luck last week. First, Lieut. Erik Nelson successfully flew from Orkneys to Hoefn Hornafjord, Iceland, but Lieuts. Lowell Smith and Leigh Wade were forced by dense fogs to turn back. Next day Lieutentant Smith made the flight all right, but Wade's machine was forced down by engine trouble when about half the distance had been traveled. and then was hopelessly wrecked during attempts to salvage it. Wade and his mechanie wele taken aboard ond, and it has policy in the conference, but he has been decided in Washington to send another plane to Pictou Harbor, Nova Scotia, so that they may continue the flight from there with the squadron. From Hornafjord the two planes still in commission flew to Reykjavika capital of Iceland, 310 miles, in the face of a 50-mile wind and over land and water where a forced landing would have meant disaster and death. Their course from there takes ther to Angmagsalik, Greenland, but ice conditions along the coast of Green land are such that it was announced that the avictors might be compelled to wait in Reykjavik for a week.

HERE are indications that the La-Teollette-Wheeler ticket will not get the unanimous support of organized labor by a long ways, but it is considered formidable enough to occupy a major place in the strategy of both the Republicans and the Russian conference, which has Democrats. The former have adopt been going on in London intermit- ed a policy of conceding nothing to LaFollette even in the several states of the middle Northwest which many have conceded to him. In these states the Coolidge leaders will make

perhaps their hardest fight, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, added Wheeler ticket last week by further praise of the Wisconsin senator as the friend of organized labor, and a lively attack on John W. Davis, Democratic Presidential candidate. He denied that any acts of Mr. Davis sought secret interviews

It is understood at this writing with him and asked him to file with that the treaty of commerce gives Gompers a "statement of questions in British goods most favored nation which labor is chiefly interested at this moment. All this, and more Britain recognizes the soviet trade was in a reply from Gompers to Wilmonopoly and agrees to give diplo- liam B. Wilson, former secretary of labor, who had asked that the of Russian trade representatives. De-tails of the general treaty are not tion on the proposed indorsement of

Matthew Woll, spokesman for Gom Russia of between £30,000,000 and pers, followed up this with a broad £40,000,000. Undersecretary Ponscnby side directed at Charles G. Dawes told the house that, regarding the Republican vice presidential candi-claims of British bondholders, the date, whom he denounced for alleged soviet government had given an ex-pression of liability and an assurance his organization of the Minute Mer of the Constitution. "This organiza tion," said Woll, "has concerned Itseli chiefly fighting the organizations of labor and in upholding the right of judges to issue injunctions have no warrant in law or in the Constitution, and which, as used in in dustrial disputes, order workers to do what they have a lawful right to re the labor government's foreign policy, which is being vigorously atto do things which they have a lawful right to do."

Returns from the Oklahoma maries at this time indicate that for mer Gov. J. C. Walton has won the Democratic nomination for senator over Congressman E. B. Howard. The latter was supported by the Ku Klux Klan and Walton says he will deman an investigation of alleged corruption by the Klan. W. B. Pine was nominated for senator by the Republicans

MRS. ROSALIE EVANS, American IVI widow of a British ranch own-er in Mexico, who for many months made a determined fight to keep her great estate there from expropriation y the agrarians, has been murdered, probably by emissaries of the mer who had been unable to get hold of her land. The British government through the American State department, made upon the Mexican gov ernment the demands usual in such cases, and President Obregon ordered that the assassins be apprehended. It is now announced that the murderers 17 in number, have been captured and failed in Puebla. The incident how ever, is not yet closed. Mrs. Evans sister, wife of an American marine officer, has gone to Mexico to carry on the fight for retention of the es

tate. Charles B. Warren has resigned a American ambassador to Mexico, and his successor will soon be appointed. Mr Warren in his letter of resigns tion blamed the Wilson administration for much of our recent troubles with Mexico, and added that relations be tween the two countries have now been "readjusted to the satisfaction of both governments, and I feel that means have been found to protect American property and rights in Mexico, without offending the Mexican people or interfering in any way in her domestic policies and affairs.'

MOST notable of the deaths of the week was that of Joseph Conrad, the eminent writer of sea tales, who passed away suddenly at home in Bishopsbourne, England.. Of Polish birth, he was a sailor for many years and began writing while serving as a sea captain. He wrote in Eng lish and was considered one of the nost literary figures of the day. Dr. Robert Grier LeConte of Phila

delphia, internationally famed surgeon, committed suicide in his home eaving a note ascribing his act to financial troubles. He was a forme president of the American Surgical association, and during the war was a member of the advisory medical board for the American expeditionary forces.

Some 5,000 delegates attended the national convention of the Knights of Columbus in New York last week The pope sent his apostolic benedic-tion in a letter. Bishop Mahoney of South Dakota in an address to the convention bitterly denounced the Klan and scored the conventions of both the great political parties for making "a concession of cowardice because of the fear that the quest for votes might suffer by an expre of opinion on the movement abroad that would eliminate Catholics from have shown him as friendly to the that would eliminate Catholics from wage earner, and told how Mr. Davis the privileges of citizenship and the emoluments of public life."

## HOW TO KEEP WELL

Dr. Frederick R. Green, Editor of "Health."

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HEALTH

EVERYONE admits the value of good roads, but what possible con-nection is there between good roads and health?

Good roads have always been re garded as one of the necessites of a civilized state. The old Romans were famous road builders and some of their highways are still in exist-

Macaulay, in his "History of England," says: "Of all inventions of the human mind, the alphabet and the printing press alone excepted, those inventions which have bridged distance have done most for the civiliza-tion of man." Steamboats and railroads made possible the exploration of the civilized world in the Nineteenth century. The automobile, airplane, and the radio are going to complete its civilization by bringing all nations and races together.

But what have good roads to do with health?

The state board of health of Kansas says that good roads prevent How?

In many ways.

The removal of weeds and trash nd the drainage which follows road building destroy breeding places for which are known as disease carriers pers, and other pests which hurt the

Hard roads and olled roads also romote drainage and prevent insec breeding. Dry roads offer pedestrians and especially children who are compelled to walk to and from school, s fry path.

Good roads promote travel and make it easier for the farmer to move his produce, to get his supplies and to take his family to town, Good roads and automobiles have improved health by making it possible for the doctor to see more patients and to see them more promptly, to send his patients, when necessary, to a hospital and to give them better care. Good roads have made it possible

tral high schools and so provide as good education for country children as for city children. Good roads have done away with the isolation of the farmer and his

for townships to unite in building cen-

family.

Anything which contributes to the physical or mental wellbeing of the individual helps prevent disease and orolongs life.

Good roads have reduced the mount of dust and so have decreased the irritation to the nose, the throat, the eyes, and the ears. Dust catcher disease germs and the less dust we inhale, the better off we are.

Good roads, either in the city or in the country, mean healthler, happier, and longer lives for all of us.

## OPENING DEAF EARS

THE radio is the wonder of the present. It has practically annihi-lated space. It has increased a speaker's audience far beyond the capacity of any building on earth. It is estimated that over a million American citizens heard President Coolidge in his address before congress last De-cember. This was probably the largest audience which has ever listened one man. Yet it is small compared to what the audiences of the future may be. In a few years radios will be as

But the radio has done something else that is greater than annihilating distance or making all of our citizen one vast audience.

It has opened the ears of the denf. Not all deaf persons can hear the radio, but some so deaf that they have not heard the human voice for years are able to hear over the radio perfect ease. The New York League for the Hard of Hearing is so enthu stastic over . the radio that it has equipped its elubrooms with radio ap-paratus carrying 24 head sets. Warren Pond, the president of the New York league, writing in the Volta Review, a magazine for the deaf, says "When my radio was installed and sitting in my home, I heard clearly the notes of a song, the tears came to my eyes. After living in silent land for 45 years, the spell was broken and l found a new heaven and a new earth.' Think what this means to the man

or woman whose ability to hear has practically disappeared, to whom not only the human voice but all forms of music are forever silent. What is it that makes it possible for the ear, dear to ordinary sounds, to respond to radio waves? Is there something about the radio wave that is different from the ordinary sound wave and that pro duces a vibration in the ear that is dead to ordinary sounds? We do not know, but we do know that the devel opment of the radio and its wide spread use has brought happiness to thousands of men and women who have been cut off from the world of sound for years. No one could anticipate that such a miracle would take place. The unexpected results of science are sometimes the most mar-





The flavor lasts



Mystery Present

"And how did my precious like the little present I made him with my very own hands?" cooed the sweet young thing to the object of her af-

"It was lovely," replied the young "But there was one thing I should very much like to know, dear."
"And what is that, pet?"

"I want to know what your present was intended for," he answered, tactessly. "My sister said it was a cush Mother thought it was a tobacco pouch, while I'm using it for a pen-

Now there's a coolness between them which no explanation can set right. — Pittsburgh Chronicle-Tele-

**Exactly the Opposite** 

Bill—"I hear you can't meet your creditors." Bob—"Can't meet 'em! Why, I can't dodge them!"

Kind words are the music of the world.—F. W. Faber.

**Summer Find You Miserable?** 

It's hard to do one's work when every day brings morning lameness, throbbing backache, and a dull, tired feeling. If you suffer thus, why not find the cause? Likely it's your kid-neys. Headaches, dizziness and kidney irregularities may give further proo that your kidneys need help. Don' risk neglect! Use Doan's Pills— stimulant diuretie to the kidneys. Thou sands have been helped by D. They should help you. Ask

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