

## MAJORITY MEMBERS OF HOUSE SIGN ANTI WIRE TO TENNESSEE

### Assure Legislature of That State That North Carolina Will Not Ratify Federal Suffrage Amendment

### URGES THAT MEASURE BE NOT FORCED UPON PEOPLE OF THIS STATE

Sixty-three members House sign telegram and claim that this puts final mark on suffrage fight in state; amendment will not be submitted before Friday, Governor Bickett says, and possibly not before Saturday; Governor will not appear in person before legislature.

## TAX BILL PASSES SECOND READING

### Gets Minor Amendment Tagged On in Its Way Through Lower House

### ONLY THREE DEMOCRATS CAST NEGATIVE VOTE

Herring, of Sampson, Republican, offers substitute; Davis would make pistol carrying a felony and authorize arrest and search on suspicion.

With only three of the twenty-three negative votes cast by members of the majority party, the bill submitting the tax amendment to the voters at the November elections passed the House on second reading yesterday after all amendments and substitutes, save a minor one offered by Bryant, of Durham, had been defeated by an overwhelming vote.

The minority substitute was offered by Representative Herring, of Sampson, and its virtues unfolded in a lengthy speech to which Republican State Chairman Frank Linnay and John J. Parker, Republican candidate for governor, were interested listeners.

Briefly, the amendment does these things: Provides for a limitation of 15 cents on the \$100 property valuation, a graduated tax on all incomes not to exceed 6 per cent, strikes out the requirement that a voter shall have paid his poll tax before casting his ballot, changes the qualification of a voter from two years' residence in the State and six months in the county to one year's residence in the State and four months in the county.

Three Democrats Voted Against. The three Democrats voting against the bill submitting the amendment were Brown and Galloway, of Pitt, and Shaw, of Scotland. The Republicans voted for the adoption of the Herring substitute, which would have classified property subject to taxation, and voted almost solidly against the committee bill.

The Bryant amendment, adopted with practically no dissent, makes it possible for additional taxes for special purposes by special or general act of the General Assembly. The original bill, by implication, left approval of additional taxes for local purposes to a general act.

Minority leader Williams' amendment, also defeated, was an assault on what he chose to term tautology. The adoption of the Bryant amendment, he insisted, was a repetition of the committee phraseology dealing with the special purpose section of the amendment.

Crisp, of Dare, proposed an amendment permitting the counties to levy 5 per cent additional for special purposes where the property valuation is under five million. There was no enthusiasm over his suggestion and his amendment was dealt to his amendment as to the substitute of Herring and the amendments of Williams and Brown.

## NOTABLES OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY AT HYDE PARK WISHING FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT GOOD LUCK



## Wilson's Hand Again Seen In Diplomacy of the World

## ROOSEVELT MAKES INITIAL ADDRESS

### Urges Republicans and Independents To Support Democratic Platform

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### Crack Safe in Postoffice and Hold Crowds Afoot at Point of Guns

Lumberton, Aug. 11.—Yeggmens robbed the post office at Fairmont, Robeson county, last night of \$20,000 in currency and several hundred dollars worth of postage stamps.

## ACQUIT FOUR OFFICERS ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 11.—Federal prohibition agents J. N. Wood and R. H. Drummond, Jr., and special police officers R. H. Wilmett and J. W. Fugh, jointly charged with the murder of Hosea Thomas, were acquitted in Federal court here today, following instructions for acquittal given to the jury by Judge Henry C. McDowell.

## Latest Note On Russian-Polish Question Draws Clear and Definite Distinction

## REPUBLICANS WORRIED OVER HIS LATEST STROKE

### Senator Simmons Expected To Come Out Strong For Suffrage at Proper Time

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Washington, Aug. 11.—Diplomats in Washington see in the United States note on the Russian-Polish question the master mind of Woodrow Wilson again at work. This time the President is seen to be collaborating with his able Secretary of State and the note has reindicated America's leadership in diplomacy and world politics.

Republicans who had been devoutly hoping that the Russian-Polish problem would furnish a pitfall for the Wilson diplomacy and the Democrats in this campaign are keenly disappointed in the master stroke of the White House and the State Department. The note has stunned them and they are now trying to show that it demonstrates the utter incompatibility of American and European interests and aims.

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## SUFFRAGE FORCES WIN FIRST SCRAP

### Motion To Defer Action On Amendment In Tennessee Assembly Is Tabled

### JOINT RESOLUTION IN HANDS OF COMMITTEES

### Joint Hearing To Be Held Tonight On Ratification Before Two Committees; Another Resolution Would Prevent Action of Any Kind; Out-riders Target of Resolution

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## WILL ALSO ENDEAVOR TO DEVELOP MEANING OF ANNOUNCEMENT THAT U. S. WILL EMPLOY ALL AVAILABLE MEANS

## EXPRESSES COMPLETE SATISFACTION WITH THE AMERICAN NOTE

### Polish Council of Defense Issues Proclamation Warning Nations That a New World War Hangs Over the World and Says That if the Bolsheviks Crush Poland, it Will Be Due to "The Indifference of a World Which Calls Itself Democratic; Speculation as to What Immediate Steps This Government Will Take in Matter; Russians Press On

Washington, Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Poland, its back to the wall in its fight against Soviet Russia, will ask immediate material aid of the United States, it was announced today by Prince Laborsinski, the Polish minister. More than that, it will seek to develop precisely what the American government meant by the announcement in its note yesterday to the Italian government that it would employ "all available means" to maintain a free Poland.

Expressing complete satisfaction with the American note, the minister declared he was convinced that it would inspire Poland with "a new spirit of hope." He added that his country was sorely in need of war materials of all kinds and that it probably would first seek credits from the United States with which to purchase them.

Simultaneously with the minister's announcement, the legation made public a proclamation issued by the Polish Council of National Defense at Warsaw, warning the nations that a "new world war hangs over the world" and that if Poland should be crushed by the Bolsheviks, it would be due to "the indifference of a world which calls itself democratic."

Copies of the American note to Italy, it was said today, at the State Department, have been delivered to the representatives of the allied and associated governments and distributed to all the news centers of the world, promising its widest dissemination, even in Russia itself. Diplomats generally regarded the document as having a three-fold purpose:

First, the extension of moral support to the Polish government and people. Second, an appeal to the masses in Russia to throw off the Bolshevik yoke and establish a constitutional government. Third, the influencing of other nations to refrain from recognition of the Soviet regime.

The dispatch of the note to Italy followed a series of informal conversations that had been in progress for several weeks between officials of the State Department and the Italian embassy. Early in the course of the negotiations between the entente powers preliminary to the Hythe conference between Premiers Lloyd-George and Millerand, the Italian government had made it known that under no circumstances would it be ready to enter into any engagement to go to war with Soviet Russia.

Having thus by its own act excluded itself from participation in the Hythe conference, the Italian government was said to have naturally turned towards America as the one great power associated with Italy in the war which had not participated in the division of Russian territory nor committed itself to hostile acts against the Bolsheviks.

In Italian circles today it was declared that regardless of the heavy pressure exerted by the Italian Socialist party and the workmen in favor of the establishment of friendly relations with the Soviet regime, the Italian government had not finally decided upon a line of policy beyond the determination not to be forced into war with Russia. While Italy had sent a commission to Moscow and was about to receive a Soviet commission in Rome, it was explained that the purpose was simply to ascertain by original investigation the exact conditions prevailing in Russia and that the Italian government had not committed itself to a political recognition of the Lenin administration.

All these matters had been under informal discussion between the State Department and the Italian embassy, which had kept its government informed, and it finally was concluded that the time was ripe to gather up the various phases of the complex subject in the shape of a formal note definitely expressing the position of the United States.

## HARDING SPENDS DAY OF COMPARATIVE QUIET

### Plays Golf and Attends Party at Worthington in Honor of His Brother

Marion, Ohio, Aug. 11.—Senator Harding had only a few appointments today, most of the day being reserved for personal and family matters. He had been invited to a party at Worthington, Ohio, in honor of his brother, Dr. Geo. T. Harding, Jr. Clearing his desk early, the Senator left for Columbus shortly after noon by motor for a game of golf and on the way back he stopped at Worthington to join the party at his brother's home.

Former Governor Frank B. Willis, who was a candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator in the Ohio primary, yesterday called on Senator Harding this morning. Mr. Willis said he was leaving today for Kansas to make several political speeches and would go from there to New York, where he would be speaking until the end of August.

The primary campaign in Ohio has been very animated, said Mr. Willis, "but no personalities came in at any time. All the candidates devoted themselves to the discussion of issues, and regardless of who is nominated, I don't think there will be any uncomfortable feeling anywhere. The party is in excellent condition to back the ticket and there will be no disaffections growing out of the primary."

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Senator Horton's bill providing an 8 per cent interest rate on contract loans instead of the statutory 6 per cent went immediately to Judiciary Committee No. 1, after adjournment, where it was determined to hold a public hearing on it next Tuesday afternoon in the consulting room of the Supreme court. The measure has been recommended by the Federal Reserve Board, Senator Horton said.

The flood-gates for new bills were opened a few minutes after Rev. C. A. Ashby, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, had delivered the opening prayer yesterday morning, and the staff of pages had a busy five minutes rushing them to the reading clerk's desk from where they were retained in their turn. Local measures of but little passing interest most of them were.

The first roll call of the session came when S. B. 11 came up for its final reading, and 44 senators answered to their names. Afterward Senator Warren arose to offer a memorial from the Maryland General Assembly calling upon the North Carolina Legislature to defeat the suffrage amendment. Senator Warren said that he would have it read at the proper time, and it took its place among the bills introduced, taking 40 for its number.

The President called the Senate's attention to a stack of telegrams about a foot high received during the morning, and directed the clerk to read them to the Senators. The reading began. From all over the country they came, impugning the Legislature to give ear to the suffragists, and ratify the amendment. Reading Clerk Broughton had progressed for perhaps an inch down the stack of yellow sheets when Senator Gildwell sought recognition.

"Mr. President," he remarked dryly, "I'm more than the telegrams referred to the Senator from Beaufort, Mr. Warren."

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