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SOUTHERNERS GET NO RECOGNITION IN CABINET SLATE

Definite Announcement of Appointment of Wallace Leaves Them Outside

GOLDEN PROMISES OF HAYS GO GLIMMERING

Great West, Too, Fails To Land Anybody Except Herbert Hoover and Plenty of Oppo-From Old Line Republicans As Well As Hiram Johnson

> The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By JOE L. BAKER. (By Special Leased Wire)

Washington, Feb. 25 .- Announcement from St. Augustine this afternoon of the appointment of Henry Wallace, of Iowa, to the post of Secretary of Agriculture was not a surprise, despite the fand delusions under which certain bouthers suffrant have inthred syst since the hight of the November tion. The cabinet is now virtually complete, the post of Secretary of Labor

being the only one to which an assignment has not been made, and that announcement must, of course, be forth coming very shortly, because inauguration day is only a week away. Hughes, Hoover, Hayes, Daughtery Wallace, Weeks, Denby, Mellon, Fall-

these are the men who comprise the cabinet, which it was promised during campaign days would be a cabinet of "best minds," of "master minds," even of "super-minds." With two exceptions, and of course, they are Hughes and Hoover, it is hard to see where any claim for greatness can be established for this cabinet. With the exception of Hughes, and Hoover, it is a cabinet of every day politicians. Such the consensus of Washington opinion, and there are many in Washington who are already predicting that it will not long hang together, and that there will be changes, possibly in a

Nobody believes here that Hughes or Hoover either will remain in the cabi net for very long, nor does anybody in Washington seriously believe that Hoover was really wanted in the cabinet, but was appointed simply because the President-elect and the politicians who have been advising him felt that some regard must be had for public opinion, and that there must be some outstanding figures in the cabinet, so that when criticisms comes indeed it is already here, and it is not confined to Democrats—the answer can be made: "It is a strong cabinet. Aren't Hughes and Hoover big men?" They are, but citations will hardly go beyond these

Senate May Fight Hoover. And so far as Hoover is concerned there is criticism of him already and there are rumors that probably are not baseless that a fight will be made on firmation in the Senate. Just the same, there are a few Senators who do not like Hoover, and they are men who have the habit of "speaking their

his feet and emitting any loud cheers over the Hughes selection, but he recognizes Hughes as an able man and not of a mind to oppose his confirmation. But if reports are true, he loesn't feel that way about Hoover, and it is being reported around Capitol hill that Johnson will have a few things to say while the motion to confirm Hoover is before the Senate.

Then there is Reed, of Missouri. Of Reed claims to be a Democrat and what he has to say won't count, but he will undoubtedly have something to say. And it is reported that there will be others to whom Hoover is obwill be others to whom Hoover is objectionable. LaFolette is said not to like his selection. Of course, LaFolette is discredited, but he is still a member of the Benate, with the privilege of the floor, and he knows how to make the floor, and he knows how to make the most of that privilege. Senator Gronna Signer Bheolodi; and Portugal, Senor of North Dakota, doesn't like Hoover, either, because he thinks he is objectionable to the farmers of the country. onable to the farmers of the country. Of course, Gronna retires March 4th but will leave behind him some influence even though he is not in a position to wield it on the Senate floor.

Penrese Against Appointment.
And there are others. Penrese is among them, a very influential person in G. O. P. circles, too, is Mr. Penrose. In G. O. P. circles, too, is Mr. Penrose. The same policy of expediency that dictated Hoover's appointment will cause Penrois to sequiesce in that appointment, but Penrose feels that Hoover isn't a Republican, and never has been. That's his chief objection, saide from the fact that Hoover held office under Mr. Wilson, which, in Mr. Penrose's opinion, is enough to eternally damn him to far as Mr. Penrose is concerned. And there are others to whom erned. And there are others to whom Hower is distrateful, chiefly because of its identification with the Wilson ad-ninistration, but most of them will keep

All of Mr. Harding's selections will be affor Mr. marging's selections will be confirmed, of course, but they aren't atteractory, probably not even to Mr. Harding himself, as in the case of loover, but the cabines won't hold to-

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It will be Postmaster General, and proved that he is an astute politic, but Mr. Daugherty is much closer fr. Harling than Mr. Haya, and it be to Mr. Daugherty that Mr. Hardwill look fur counsel in things that will look fur counsel in things.

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Pittsburg Banks Kick On Request Of Comptroller For Information Regarding Use Made Of Deposits

John Skelton Williams Claims That Money of Depositors in National Banks Diverted From Proper Function of Supplying Legitimate Business in Order to Earn Fancy President-elect Writes Promi-Rates From Speculators in New York; Pittsburgh Banker Makes Denial.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The Pittsburg by Comptroller of the Currency Wil-liams today of having forbidden its member banks to furnish data asked for in the national bank call issued yesterday by the comptroller.

Several items not heretofore given on the fact of the reports were requested sition Already Forecasted in current call, the comptroller explained. These items he said, included a statement as to the amount of money which was being louned on bond and stock collateral in New York City; a statement showing the aggregate amount of salaries paid to the executive officers of banks and the number of such off cers; and the amount of salaries paid all other employes of the bank and the number of such employes.

"The obvious purpose of inclusion of the clauses apparently found objection able in Pittsburg," Mr. Williams said 'was to develop whether money or de-positors in national banks is being di-butten from its proper transpose of the dying constitution discussion was expenprise to earn fancy eates from the or recknessness of speculators at a dis-tance and whether disproportionate or improper amounts of the earnings of improper amounts of the earnings banks are being expended in salaries to officials. It is difficult to understand why bankers who have used such money discreetly and with regard to the rights customers and shareholders, should object to making this informa

Pittsburg, Pr., Feb. 25.-When in PARTY LEADERS EXPECT formed tonight that Comptroller of the Currency Williams had accused the Pittsburg Clering House Association of having forbidden member banks to furnish data in connection with yesterday's bank call, John R. Maccune, president of the association, said tonight that the information asked by the comptroller was being given.

"At a meeting of the association yes terday," said Mr. Maccune, "we decided, on advice of counsel, that we were not required to publish in the newspapers the salaries of bank officials as requested by the comptroller. This in formation is given to the comptroller but is not incorporated in bank state ments for publication. We believe we are right in our position."
Comptroller Williams' statement was

closely followed by introduction in the House by Chairman McFadden, of the Prettor Femalitary of the medical to deflore the Constroller to be with but authority to require national banks to publish the salaries paid their officials and employes in their financial

Representative McFadden also issued a statement declaring publication of Harding's letter would have potent in-figures as to scalaries would result in fluence in the forthcoming contest in "great harm, because it will stir up a the Senate over the naval appropria-feeling between the employers and employes by pointing out, in the way of contrast, salaries paid."

NO FURTHER WORD ON AMERICAN NOTE

League Council Wants Signatories To Disarmament Note To Ratify It

Paris, Feb. 25. (By The Associated Press.)-The council of the League of Nations, laying aside the subject of the Polish-Lithuanian controversy, the American mandate note and the question how to satisfy the league assembly's wish for greater publicity for its proceedings, took up the question of disarmament today.

The council will ask the powers which signed at St. Germain at the same time that the Austrian treaty was signed, the convention relating to control of traffic in arms and munitions, to ratify this convention, declaring that until this is done, no progress can be made in this direction. It was decided made in this direction. It was decided to neminate a temporary commission to consider a reduction in armaments. This body will be composed of promin-ent public men, together with techniwill not be a successful fight, for the policy of expediency which directed his selection will district the policy of expediency which directed military and sconomic commissions. France, has been asked to accept the chairmanship of this commission.

A recommendation by the assembly of the League of Nations that an orpiece" when speaking time comes.

Hiram Johnson, of California, to which state Hecver is accredited, is one of them. Hiram isn't climbing upon amendment to the covenant of the League. The council has decided to leave to a permanent military commis sion the task of investigating this sub-

jeet further. The council is still guarding as a close secret its deliberations on the Ameri-

LEAGUE COUNCIL INCLUDES AN AMERICAN ON COMMISSION

Paris, Feb. 25.—The permanent com-mission appointed by the council of the League of Nations today to ex-amine the annual report on manda-tories includes W. Cameron Porbes, former American governor general

The mandatory powers represented are Great Britain, William G. Ormesby-Gore; Belgium, M. Orts; and France M. Beau. The Japanese representative has not yet been named.

NEPHEW SHOOTS UNCLE; LATTER UNCONSCIOUS

Wilson, Peb. 25.—At Saratoga, ten miles east of Wilson, on Thursday night, John S. Moore, the 18-year-old son of W. B. Moore, shot his uncle, A. J. Moore, who has remained uncon-A. J. Moore, who has remained uncon-scious ever since. The young man is in the Wilson jail. It is alleged that the wounded man went home drunk and threatened to kill his wife. When his nephew John interfered, it is said, he pointed a shotgun at him and threat-ened his life, and that the nephew whipped out a pistol and shot his as-sailant above the heart and in the face.

SOON READY FOR OPERATION Asheville, Peb. 25.—Asheville's new 300,000 pipe line from Bée Tree was ifficially tested out today for the first ime, and only one small leak found. I is believed that this can be remedied a few days and the pipe line put ato use during the next few weeks.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 25.—Formation of a Southern conference to govern athletic contexts among the larger colleges and universities of the South was discussed at a meeting of their representatives into today, but later it was ansounced that so setten has been taken.

HOOVER GETS JOB, HARDING STATES

President-elect Definitely Removes All Doubts As To His **Appointment**

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 25,-Formal seiection of Herbert C. Hoover to be by President-elect Harding here today as the culmination of an interesting

as the culmination of an interesting interchange which momentarily overshadowed every other feature of the cabinet situation.

Mr. Harding said the conditions on which the former food administrator accepted the post had been found entirely satisfactory and that the incident could be regarded as closed. He expressed confidence that his chosen head of the Commerce Department would prove a willing member of the official family of the coming adminisofficial family of the coming adminis-

Under questioning the President-elect added that he did not regard the con-ditions laid down by Mr. Heover as "stipulations," and could not consider the case as different from others in which prospective appointees had dis-cussed definite policies with him before accepting. He said he not only aption plan submitted by Mr. Hoover as n condition of acceptance, but had found himself in "perfect accord" with it.

Particular attention had been attracted to the negotiations between the two men because it has been well known that Mr. Heover was from the first a storm center of the cabinet list. Strong pressure for his appointment was brought to bear from various quar-ters, and adverse recommendations also came in from many Republicans throughout the country. He was con-spicuous politically for his support of the League of Nations and for his ap-proval of President Wilson's plea for the election of a Democratic Congress in 1012 was brought to bear from various quarin 1918. Coincident with his announcement of

the Hoover selection, Mr. Harding per-sonally confirmed for the first time that he contemplated the appointment of Henry Wallace, of Des Moines, Iowa, as Secretary of Agriculture. The selec-tion of Mr. Wallace, who is an editor of farm publications has been gener-ally known for several weeks, but hitherto the President-elect has declined to discuss it.

to discuss it.

Tomorrow the naval policies of the coming administration will be talked over by Mr. Harding with Edwin Denby, of Detroit, Mich., his choice for Secretary of the Navy. It is expected that appointment will be finally sealed with the acceptance by Mr. Denby of the President-elect's formal invitation into the cabinet.

BEAUFORT FARMER SHOT AND KILLED BY WIFE

Washington, N. C., Feb. 25.—C. S. King, prominent farmer, was shot and killed by his wife at their home six miles from Bellbaven, near here, late last night following an alleged attempted attack on her.

According to a statement regarding the killing made by Mrs. King to Deputy Sheriff Marvin of Beaufort county, King had been drinking, and when her reply to his request to bring

HARDING THROWS INFLUENCE BEHIND BIG NAVY PROGRAM

nent Senate Republican Urging Action

PROMPT RESULTS NOW

Democratic Leaders, However, Expect Borah Resolution For Disarmament Conference To Get Through Although President.elect Makes No Refer.

Washington, Feb. 25 .- (By the Associestablishment.

prominent Senate Republican and The Residence day was unsured by prominent Senate Republican leaders promptly predicted that Mr. tions which were increased \$100,000,000 by the Senate Naval committee, and in differences with the House in case the appropriation bill passes the Senate with its augmented total.

The President-elect in his letter, it was said authoritatively expressed him-self as desiring a continuation of the present naval building program without substantial reduction.

No reference was made by Mr. Hard ing in his letter, it was stated, to the disarmament proposal of Senator Borah, Republican, of Idaho. Republican and Democratic leaders, however, joined in private predictions that the Borah resolution requesting the President to call a naval disarmament conference of representatives of the United States, Great Britain and Japan, would be adopted by the Senate either in the form of a separate resolution or as a rider to the appropriation bill. Senator Borah is understood to favor the later course The appropriation bill was presented formally during the day in the Sen-ate. As reported it carried \$495,000,000 against \$395,000,000 veted by the House.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED ON BONUS FOR SOLDIERS

Washington, Feb. 25,-The Senate finance committee failed to reach an agreement today on the soldier bonus bill, but Republican leaders predicted that the House bill, shorn of taxation provisions, would be reported tomor-row to the Senate. Doubt was expressed, however, that the legislation could be passed by the House, would extend next week.

Though failing to agree on the bonus bill, the finance committee acted favorably today on the Wason bill, another measure for the benefit of former vice men. This bill, which has been passesd by the House, would extend privileges of war risk insurance and ompensation benefits.

The bonus bill caused a long contro

versy today in the committee. Opposi-tion to the cash bonus plan was led by Senators Smoot, Republican of Utah, and Thomas, Democrat of Colorado, both of whom called attention to the depleted condition of the Treasury. Sen-ator McCumber, Republican of North Dakota, presented figures to show that eash bonus would entail a minimum cost ance plan, Senator McCumber estimated, would cost considerably more. Advocates of the cash bonus, however, argued that the funds necessary under that plan would not be payable for two years and that by that time economies would be effected which would felieve the

strain on the Treasury.

While the committee was considering the legislation a flood of telegrams from American Legion, posts all over the country advocating the legislation reached Senators offices.

Ohio Man Leads Contest.

St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb. 25.-Shannon W. Bonifant of Kenmore, Ohio, is leading the field of 22 star barnyard golfers in the semi-finals of the National horseshoe pitchers tournament being conducted here. He has a total

ROAD MEASURE IS PASSED BY SENATE VOTING 34 TO

Over 3 Hours of Oratory Feature of Night's Consideration of Bill

BURGWYN DELIVERS VIGOROUS ASSAULT

Charges That People of State Do Not Want Bond Issue and That Road Bill Will Be Re. pudiated In Next Election: Assails Good Roads Lobby

After killing a proposed amendment ted Press).-The influence of Presi for a referendum to the people by a dent-elect Harding today was thrown vote of 27 to 15, the Scnate last night behind the big navy program of the passed the Connor Doughton-Bowie-Senate Naval affairs committee majority Varser road bill on its second reading and against the stand of the House for by the overwhelming majority of 34 decreased appropriations for the naval to 7, Senators recording as paired bringing the total strength of the op-All a resistant with the article and the state of the sta

quickly reached the party rank and bare margin of ten minutes, announcement of the vote being made at 11:50. file in both Senate and House. Party Less than thirty minutes of the time leaders promptly predicted that Mr. given to discussion of the bill proper was consumed by proponents hill, brief speeches by Senators Stubbs and Outlaw being the only replies to the attacks of the opponents. The first hour of the night session was devoted to the further consideration of the committee amendments, all of which were adopted. The only fight came on the amendment permitting the collection of the gasoline tax by voluntary action of the wholesalers. penents to the amendment receded when assured that though collected by wholesalers the tax would apply only to gasoline consumed in motor vehicles Senator Burgwyn reserved his referen

dum amendment to the last momen and a wearied Senate motion of Senator Lambeth to dispense with its reading. An attempt by its author to speak upon it brought s sharp exchange with Senator Hartsell, who stated that "when a Senator who has already spoken two hours, starts to inflict himself on this Senate again, I think it is time to vote.'

How They Voted. The final vote on the hill was as fol-

lowa:
Ayes—Brassfield, Bumgarner, Camoron, Carlton, Carpenter, DeLanay,
Dewar, Erwin, Gallert, Hamilton, Hargett, Hartsell, Kanipe, Lambeth, Long,
of Alamance, McCullough, McGougan,
McKinne, Mendenhall, Nash, Ostes,
Outlaw, Patton, Ramsey, Reinhardt,
Bobinson, Sams, Scott, Stubbs, Swain,
Taylor, Varser, Walker and Woodson.

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Noes-Blue, Byrd, Cox, Dunlap, Ray nor, Williams, and Winborne .- 7. Paired-McCoin (for- with Jones, of Edgecombe (against) : Brown (for) with Jones, of Stokes (against); Griffin (for) Burgwyn, of Northampton (against) .-- 6.

Absent-Burgwin, of New Hanover, Kinsland and Long, of Halifax .- 3. stors Brassfield, Carlton, Carpenter, Erwin, Reinhardt, Robinson and Swain joined the foes of the bill. Speeches against the bill were made

by Senators Burgwyn, of Northampton, Dunal and Winborne, all of them decrying the measure as inopportune and as placing an unjust burden on the

people. . Senator Outlaw thought the matter too serious a preposition to be laughed out of court, and wanted to vote at the onclusion of the speech of the Senator from Northampton.

Senator Stubbs closed the debate by expressing his surprise that other Sen ators coming from the same section of the State as himself could entertain views so widely divergent from those of his own. He ridiculed the proposition that the measure would cost Demo eratic votes, asserting that as the Rewould be nowhere for the disgruntled Democrats to go. He closed with a high tribute to Representative Doughton. "I have stood in the shadow of that Gamaliel of Democracy for more than a quarter of a century and I am prepared to follow him now," the Senator de-

Though declaring he recognized his cause as a hopeless one, Senator Burg-wyn launched a vehement attack on the bill which continued for two hours, the

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Operators and Miners Indicted For Restricting Production

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 25 .-- Co-opera-, ciation was among the corporate tion between coal operators and miners sempled attack on her.

According to a statement regarding he killing made by Mrs. King to be puty Sheriff Marvin of Beaufort ounty, King had been drinking, and when her reply to his request to bring tim some liquor displeased him, he tarted toward her with a club in his and. She drew a revolver, she told he deputy, and ordered her hashand o stop, but when he centinued coming to stop, but when he centinued coming to manufer taking effect, King dying few minutes later.

Mr. and Mrs. King same to Beanfort county several years age from Oklassoma, where he was said to have been connected with the famous "101" ranch.

Pollah Wrestler Meets Match.

Pollah Wrestler, who understook to have Nick Daviscourt, of Ferza, twice in 75 minutes failed to have the Texas even ence in that have the Texas even enc in six States to force high-prices for soft coal by restricting production was

fendants.

The indictment covers specifically the

last three years in the coal industry, and follows an investigation that has been conducted almost continuously the last eighteen months by agents of the Federal Department of Justice. The charge is made by the indictment that at various joint conferences, the miners and operators agreed to be par in mining and distributing coalin mining and distributing coal and that they would aid one another in plane to increase wages, increase prices, create a abortage and otherwise limit production and distribution. Creation, of fictitious market prices and the provocation of miners' strikes by operators also was charged by the indictment.

Most of the persons indicted as individuals in the new bill were among those named as defendants in the indictment returned sometime ago charging violation of the Lever food and fuel central production and force high prices. Trial of that case has been postponed indefinitely, and it was said uncefficially that it might be dropped in

TWO-YEAR BUILDING PROGRAM RECOMMENDED

The full committees on appro priations of the General Assembly yesterday decided definitely to re-strict appropriations for permanent improvements to a two-year program. The bill carrying the appro printions was drawn late last night by the two sub-committees and will be presented to the full committee this morning at 9 o'clock and will be introduced today.

While definite amounts for the individual institutions have not been agreed upon, it is understood that the total amount to be recommended will be between five and six million deliars, exceeding the recommendation of the Budget Commission by about \$1,000,000.

The bill carrying appropriations for maintenance will not be intro-duced until next week. However, the amounts for the various institu tions have been tentatively agreed upon, and it is understood that the total for each year will exceed the secommendation of the Budget Commission by about \$500,000. The Budget Commission recommended \$4,606,750 for 1921 and \$3,6\$0,750

"We have been liberal in all the appropriations for maintenance, and I feel sure the friends of the various institutions will be pleased," was the comment made at the close yesterday's meeting by Senator R. S. McCoin, chairman of the Senate committee and a member of

the Appropriations commissions The appropriations commission property occurs Example reports on the Cameron bill for the installation of an elevator in the Capitol, and the bill appropriating \$10,000 for the establishment of a free employment service.

BOYD REFUSES TO DISCHARGE JURY

General Opinion Prevails That Mistrial Will Result In The Varner Case

Greensboro, Feb. 25 .- On account of the serious iliness of the small child of Jack Stormer, of Greensboro, one of the jurymen, the jury retired tonight shortly before 9 o'clock. Reconsideration of a probable verdict will be resumed tomorrow morning in case the child is improved.

Greensboro, Feb. 25 .- The jury in the Varner case at 3:15 o'clock this after-noon made a bid for discharge, but Judge Boyd staved off the impending mistrial and sent the twelve men back

for further deliberations.

"Yeu must take more time, gentlemen," and the judge, when its foreman had stated that the twelve men could not agree on the case. "It is too important to be cast aside. It would be not only a calamity to parties in-volved in suit but it would also be almost a public calamity to have a mistrial in this case and have to go over

it again.
"This matter is submitted to you upon facts of evidence and the court is going to give you time to arrive at

When sent back the jurymen seemed disgruntled but determined. The conhere is that a trial will be the result unless a verdiet is brought in tonight. Judge Boyd humorously remarked that he would hold them for two weeks unless they rendered a verdict.

Indirectly comes the report that nine jurymen are for Mr. Varner and three for Mrs. Varner.

It is authoritatively stated that

should Varner lose his suit, he would take an appeal. It is not known what Mrs. Varner's intentions are in regard to losing suit.

All during the morning and after noon hours a large number of persons were in the courtroom eagerly awaiting the verdict but were doomed to Mr. Varner with several of his conn

el spent several hours in the court today. Mrs. Varner was not to be seen PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRAT

UNSEATED BY THE HOUSE Liquor Dealers and Brewers Charged With Backing The Ousted Member

Washington, Feb. 25.-Patrick Me-Lane, of Scranton, Democratic repre-sentative from the Tenth Pennsylvania district, was unseated by the House late tonight on charges of violating the election funds. Immediately after taking this action the House adopted a report by the committee on elections de-claring John R. Farr, Republican, also of Scranton, duly elected and entitled to McLane's seat. The vote to put Mc-Lane out was 161 to 121.

Charges by the committee that liquor dealers and brewers stood behind Mc-Lane threw the House into an intensely bitter wrangle. The committee held Mc-Lane should be unseated for violating the corupt practices act and because of wholesale election frauds. Its report was unanimous.

Representative Bland, Democrat, Vir ginia member of the committee, declar-ed the case was one where Republicans and Democrate stood on common ground and that McLane had been put forward as a candidate against Farr, because the latter had voted in Congress for the prohibition amendment and for restric-tion of immigration.

TWO SEAPLANES FORCED DOWN ON PACIFIC COAST

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 25.—Seaplanes Number 10 and 22 of the Pacific Air force which left Belboa Wednerday on the return trip from the Panama Canal to San Diego were forced down between Balboa and Bebia Honda, according to radio reports received at the Naval Air station on North Island teday. No particulars were given,

SELL HOLDINGS IN RAILROADS TO AID "LOST PROVINCES"

Representative Bowie Would Connect Northwest With The State

BUILD NEW RAILROADS WITH STATE'S OLD FUND

Committee Gives Favorable Report To Measure; House Again Resolves Itself Into Committee To Consider Finance Act After Finally Kill. ing Tick Eradication Bill

FINANCE MEASURE PASSES HOUSE ON SECOND READING

Without change the House sitting as a committee of the whole, last night agreed to report the finance act favorably and shortly afterreading in the lower body, while the ingiciative wheels this test and of the eds, began gridding builty on the miss or legislative material but the calendar.

Redemption of the Lost Previnces of North Carolina is aimed at, specifically mentioned and provided for in a meas! ure offered in the House yesterday by Representative Tum Bowle, authorising the Governor and Council of State to sell the State's interest in all railroads now partly owned by the commonwealth and invest the proceeds in a projected new railroad connecting the northwest section of the State with the port of Wilmington.

Stretching across the mountain coun-ties beyond the Blue Ridge, rich in every natural resource, connecting with the Southern Railway at Maymend, Tenn., the proposed Wilkes, Ashe and Tennessee Railroad, approximately 68 miles of roadway would connect the Lost Provinces with North Carolina proper and give them an outlet not only to the principal cities of the State but as far east as the port of Wilmington. Connections established at Maymend would open a route to the West Virginia coal fields.

Railroad Commission. Representative Bowie has had the measure under consideration for several weeks, but its launching into the Gencral Assembly yesterday morning brought with it considerable surprise. Committee action was taken during the afternoon, and it was reported favor-ably. The bill authorizes the forma-tion of a railroad commission, with au-thority to direct the expenditure of the funds obtained from the sale of the

State's holdings in other railroads. Pro rata distribution of the money thus obtained is directed in the new company to be formed in the Elkin and Alleghany and in the Statesville Air Line railroads. Connections to be made at Winston-Salem with the South-ern would continue the route to Charleston over the Winston-Salem Southboro, Sanford and Fayetteville. Bowie, long chief among the spokes-men for the Lost Provinces, expects to leave no stone unturned in se ing State aid for the project.

Municipal Finance Act. Mr. Bowie furnished the only divergence from the grinding business of working through the calendar and the committee as a whole procedure in reading the finance act section by section. The House passed a score e measures on the calendar and advances nearly 100 others past their second reading to take their places on the rester to be cleared this morning. The municipal finance act passed its

finals. It differs but little from the provisions of the act of the special ession, except that it raised the authorized municipal tax rate from 50 cents to \$1 on the \$100 property value tion, and the ratio of allowed debt from 5 per cent of the total valuation of property to 8 per cent. The bill had its second reading Thursday night and comes up in the Senate this

morning.
Tick Bill Finally Dead. The Senste tick bill came over inte-the House for action, and Major Dar-den arose and slew it with Rule 51, which provides that the House may not consider for second time any measure upon which it has previously acted. It had killed the tick bill, and the chair sustained Major Darden's point of order, and the bill lies dead on the table. The battle for eradication is apparently dead for the session.

Two separate attempts were made, one by Crisp and the other by Waiton, of Onslow. Each introduced a bill excepting his county from the operation of the recently ratified State-wide stock law, and each faces Rule 51 when their bills come up on their second resding. Representative Ross is going to pull the rule. Both had amendments to the main bill excepting his county, and the House by almost unanimous vote killed the amendments. Mr. Ross will insist that the House has already passed upon the subject matter of the bills and that it counct consider them again.

Cleotte's Attorney In Chicago, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25.—Daniel P. Cassidy, attorney for Edward Cisotte, today conferred with State officials and attorneys for other Chicago Ameriand attorneys for other Chicago American League players who will go on triel March 14 charged with conspiracy in connection with the alleged throwing of the 1919 world series. Mr. Cassidy refused to say what attitude Cheotic would take in the trial.

Snow Hill Child Dies From Burn Kinston, Feb. 25.—A seven-yer daughter of Joseph Johnson, a nag dead at Snow Hill from burns rec when her clothing was ignited fr stove. The child lived some hours lowing the accident, suffering inter