"DEDICATED TO THE UP-BUILDING OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA"

ASHEVILLE, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31, 1922

Constitutionality of Five Million Issue Is Now Questioned, - Reported.

GOVERNOR HOPES FOR DECISION

Sale to Durham Bank Will Be Used as a Test Case - Want Action.

CITIES NEWS BUREAU (Ry BROCK BARKLEY) RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 30 .- The

constitutionality of the state's fivemillion-dollar school bond issue has been questioned and an early test case before the supreme court has been planned. The bond issue was authorized by the legislature to aid various localities in the state in building high and grammar grade schools, the ald which this issue would give being sufficient to place a standard high school in 18 counties which have not one at this time.

Governor Morrison and the council of state recognize gestion as being a serious one because the supreme court has deannot contract a debt to build school house except through a vote of the people and the plan of the state for distributing the five mil-lion dollars to be derived from the bond sale is through loans to the school authorities.

The policy of borrowing from the state to build schools has been

will have to be tested. The recent sale to the Fidelity ank, of Durham, of one-half mil-lon dollars of the five-million-dolir issue, on a 41-2 per cent bid will result in an agreed case, and it will be presented to the supreme ourt as quickly as the matter can be put in shape. This is the only sale of school bonds that has been

The governor is hopeful that the is a decided difference in principal between the Stephens case from Charlotte and the cases upon which it was decided and the present proposition. In the old cases the court has held that water from the school houses are not, and could not be contracted for on additional between the contracted for on additional between the contracted for on additional between the school houses are not, and could not be contracted for on additional between the school houses are not, and could not be contracted for on additional between the school houses are not. The school houses are not and could not be contracted for on additional between the school houses are not and could not be contracted for on additional between the school houses are not and could not be contracted for on additional between the school houses are not and the school houses are not and could not be contracted for on additional between the school houses are not and the school houses are not as the schoo court will uphold the law as there is a decided difference in principal ould not be contracted for on DECIDED

DISTINCTION operated for six months unless there are school houses, hence the recognition of loans for construcnecessary public expense. stephens case, upon which stephens case, upon which with other cases, doubt as to the issues constitutionality is based, simply decided that the purchase of a school house is not necessary city expense under the constitution.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE PROCEEDING WELL, DECLARES OBREGON

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Negotiations between the Mexican govern-ment and New York bankers are "proceeding with satisfaction to all concerned and every day brings a settlement nearer," said President Obregon today.

Referring to the agreement with the American oil men, President Obregon asserted that an amicable justment had been reached, but that for convenience says the ex-port taxes to be collected under the decree of last June are mer-by deferred indefinitely awaiting a al agreement with the bankers. President Obregon explained that the money collected for those taxes is to be used for payment on the foreign debt and that inash as arrangements have not been made the revenues are e held intact for future use.

he government has reserved the ght however," the President and—"to notify the oil men at any time the revenues under the spechal export tax are to be paid." strike two weeks ago. The cars lie was exceedingly optimistic in were manned by men from Norfolk and carried police guards.

and financial affairs. General Obregon admitted that

he had received "some data relative to the alleged activities of certain persons in the United States, working in conjunction with certain Mexican exiles, to fo-Answering a question as to what We can only deal with these alleged conspirators as we encounter them. If, as has been suggest.

The anti-trust law offense was entering.

certain North Americans who e charged with conspiracy tainst this government attempt enter Mexico, we shall proceed against them and punish them acordingly."
The President declared that con

ditions generally in Mexico were

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT PAYS GOOD MONEY

NEW YORK, Jan. 30,-A. Snow den, Sunday school superintendent, thought he would be a Good Samar-itan last week when Mrs. Hêlene sullivan's complaint that a man pinched her leg in a moving picture theatre proved a boomerans. So he put up \$100 bail for her after it was afleged in court that she was in the habit of being annoyed by men.

Pound Continues Show Improvement In United States

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 .- Another buoyant advance in Brit-ish exchange rates to highest levels since August, 1919, was the feature of the day in the financial markets.

Demand bills on London rose to \$4.28, a gain over last week of 3 1-4 cents but reacted from the maximum quotation before the close of the markets. All the allied exchanges, especially French and Italian bills, regis-tered concurrent gains of 10 to 12 points, while Dutch, Scan-dinavian. Spanish and Swiss rates rose 10 to 23 points.

Brokers associated strength of the pound sterling with the marked improvement shown by Great Britain's foreign trade balance together with purchases of British bills to meet Febru-

Weather Bureau Reports That Storm Has Passed and Danger Over.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .-Bright sunshine and thawing temperatures did much today to restore normal conditions in Washington and the middle Atlantic section buried under Saturday's severe snow storm.

Forecasts of the weather bureau followed 17 years and no question has heretofore been rulsed, but the arge program is so important that twill have to be tested. were for a continuation of the fanight would see a complete re-sumption of the activities suspend-ed in many cases since the storm began Friday night. The bright sunshine in Washington although helpful in removing the snow seemed to contrast strangely with the deep gloom of spirit hanging over the city as the result of the Knickerbocker theatre disaster. NO DANGER

FOOD SHORTAGE All danger of a food shortage in the capital passed away during the

Street car service here was not so quickly resumed. While many lines were opened up today, the There is a decided distinction, it is considered, because the state's is considered, because the state's is cheme must be carried out under the educational provision of the cars stranded since Friday night in marks. constitution for a six months outlying and suburban sections shool term. And schools cannot could be released and the lines

cleared for traffic. there are school houses, hence the ecognition of loans for construction purposes of this character as house owners continued to give haracter as house owners continued to give much attention to clearing roofs of snow and nearly every hour sed, simply those of a some large building. All these rumors, however, proved false. Reports from Baltimore. Phila-

delphia and other cities in the rath of the storm also told of rapid restoration of normal conditions. Heavy seas, however, still were being experienced in the vieveral vessels still in danger,

NORFOLK HAVING ITS STREET CAR TROUBLES

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 30,-Thos S. Wheelwright, president of the Virginia Railway and Power company, appearing before the arbitra-tion board on wages of the carmen today, declared that unless the city council made good its promise to continue the seven-cent fare and suppress jitneys, the company would not put in effect any wage scale recommended by the arbitrators.

Members of the council said they did not feel bound by the resolu-tion, as the company's part in it had not been entirely fulfilled.

The arbiters late today agreed on the wage scale, but refused to make their decision public. A copy of the findings will be sent to the company and the carmen tomorrow

Four street cars were run in Portsmouth late today, the first cars operated since the start of the

WITH HIGH RENTS

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 .- Twentyone corporations and 24 individu-als engaged in the heating and ventilating branch of the building industry, were indicted by a Su-preme court grand jury today for violation of the Donnelly anti-trust law. Five other persons were in-

The anti-trust law offense specifically charged was entering into an agreement on June 1, 1920 for the purpose of fixing prices and pre-venting competition in restraint of

trade. Among the five indicted for con-spiracy were three labor leaders. John M. Inhof, Martin McCue and Louis Gebhardt.

John T. Hettrick, code of practice lawyer, who is serving a prison sentence for coercion and whose purole, effective February 24, was announced today, is named in the new indictments charging violation of the anti-trust law.

EXPERT COMPLETES HIS INVESTIGATION

after it was alleged in court that she was in the habit of being annoyed by men.

Today Mr. Snowden felt that he had been ill-repaid. Mrs. Sullivan could not be found when the case opaninst her was called. Mr. Snowden being and the forfeit and then obtained a bench whreast for her arrest. He said her husband introduced them to each other in 1915.

Supreme Court Holds That Liquor Cannot Be Taken From Buildings.

RULING REVERSES A PREVIOUS ONE

Justice Reynolds Dis sents — McKenna Hands Down Majority Opinion.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30-Intexicating liquors, stored in govern-ment bonded warehouses, cannot be withdrawn by the owners for be withdrawn by the owners to their own personal use, the su-preme court today held in a de-cision delivered by Justice Mc-Kenna, and dissented to by Justice McKeynolds. Such liquor can only be transported from the bonded warehouses, Justice McKenna stat-"to a wholesale druggists for sale to him for purposes not pro-

The court in a previous decis-ion had held that owners could withdraw from private warehouses liquor for their own consumption or for the use of their family or their bonafide guests. Today's rultween private and bonded ware

Justice McKenna on this point said that "mere ownership was not the equivalent" to possession, and declared that under the Volstead law, "there must be ownership and possession in one's private dwelling, and that character cannot be assigned to the bonded warehouses of the government."

The cases before the court did not, he said, have the effect of de-priving those who held warehouse certificates of their property without due process of law nor did it amount, he added, to the taking of private property for public purposes without just compensation, DID NOT

TRACE MINUTELY

Referring to the contention that he prohibition amendment and the Volstead act if applied to liquor manufactured and lawfully acquired before the amendment and the law became effective would be void, as taking from property its essential attributes of the right to use it, possess it and enjoy it. Justice McKenna stated that the court was "not disposed to trace the elements of the contentions minutely, as they were all answered by the former decision of the court in the national prohibi-

law which permits one to use law-fully obtained liquor in his home. Justice McKenna asserted this right cannot be construed to ex-tend "to liquors not so situated, or to put it more pointedly, an in-tention to make all bonded warehouses of the country outbuildings of its dwellings."

liquor in private warehouses could be lawfully moved by owners to their residences for consumption.

Justice McReynolds asserted that if the doctrine laid down by the court in that case was good it.

"I note the following statement the following statement in the newspaper clipping which the telephone and telegraph administration virtually to re-wire the city completely in order to give the visiting delegations private telephones in their quarters at the honour of the court in that case was good it.

"I note the following statement telephone and telegraph administration virtually to re-wire the city completely in order to give the visiting delegations private telephones in their quarters at the honour court in that case was good it. Declaring he had been in disagreement with the previous decision of the court in holding that liquor in private warehouses could court in that case was good it would permit owners to withdraw Mayor from bonded warehouses, and he urged that unless the court took that view it should "frankly" withdraw its former decision. In the present cases liquor was en-trusted to government warehouses as permitted by the statute, he said, but the owner "is denied the privilege of taking it home because that warehouse is not contributory to his dwelling nor an adjunct thereto, nor an outbuilding con-nected therewith."

The decision grew out of a con solidation of four cases, all brought against internal revenue collectors to compel them to permit the withdrawal of the liquor. In each case the decision was against the owner of the warehouse certificate.

MARY PICKFORD IN COURT AS USUAL

CARSON, Nev., Jan. 30,—The Nevada supreme court, after hear-ing oral arguments today on a mo-tion of Attorney Fowler to have the divorce obtained by Miss Mary Pickford at Minden, March 2, 1920 annulled, took the case under ad-visoment. The court has three months in which to make decision

unless the case is resubmitted be-fore that time. Fowler contended that the divorce of Miss Pickford from Owen D. Moore, another motion picture actor was obtained by fraud, since,

actor was obtained by fraud, since, he said, she deliberately swore she had no other residence than Genoa Nevada, although both she and her husband were bona fide residents of Los Angeles.

Gavin McNab, attorney for Misa Pickford, asserted that the attorney-general's act was "gratifious and meddlesome action and interference by a stranger, without

terence by a stranger, without warrant in law and against public, nolley." He declared the divorce decree was irrevocably final since neither party had appealed. P. A. McCarran, former chief justice of the Nevada supreme court, followed McNab, saying there was no aggreed party in the case and therefore no founda-

tion for the suit. GOVERNOR SMALL'S CASE IS BEING TRIED

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Jan. 30.—(isy the Associated Press.)—Two assistant attorneys general of Illinois, and the state attorney general of and the state attorney general of Sangamen county today-fought to block the efforts of attorneys for Covernor Len Small and Vernon Curtle, Grant Fark, Ill., banker, co obtain separate trials for their clients who are charged with embezzlement of state funds.

This, the last and final motion preceding setting of the trial date, had developed a legal fight as bitterly waged as any which have marked the six months since the indictments were returned by the Sangamen county grand jury at Springfield, July 20, 1921.

The outcome may be known tomorrow when C. C. Leforgee, chief of the governor's lawyers, presents the closing argument. It is considered probable that Judge Clair

the closing argument. It is considered probable that Judge Clair C. Edwards will give an immediate

OWNERS ARE NOT Agreement On Shantung PERMITTED TAKE Is Reached On Monday BONDED WHISKEY By Japs And Chinese DEBT BILL TODAY Knickerhocker Start

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30. -An agreement on all the principles involved in the plan for return of Shantung province to China was reached tonight by the Japanese and Chinese

arms delegations.
After the two groups had been in conference for nearly seven hours wrestling with the final problems of restoring the l'singtao-Tsinanfu railread to Chinese control, word came from the committee room that only details of phraseology of the proposed treaty remained in the way of a complete agreement.

The basis of the settlement is understood to have been the plan supported by President Harding, providing that China pay for the road in treasury notes and that Japanese ex-perts be retained in the operating personnel during the pe-riod of payment. It was announced however

for Jobs for Veterans.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- These

North Carolina nominations for

postmaster-were sent to the senate

today: Sam L. Franks. Franklin,

North Carolina congressmen

here are not satisfied with the ef-forts of the national officials of the American legion to keep the

administration from disregarding the ex-soldier preference provis-

In response Mr. Brinson wrote: "I have just received your letter of the 27th Instant together with

given to ex-service applicants."

"It would be interesting to know just what is meant by these seemingly conflicting statements. It would also be interesting to know

what your organization will do when after 'watching to see that

when after 'watching to see that the proper preference under, the law, is given to ex-service applicants,' you find that an ex-soldier, as in the Morehead City case, is holding office, has led in two examinations under the civil service and yet is to be displaced if the President's nomination of a republican partisan is confirmed.

"The ex-service men in North Carolina. I feel sure, will watch with interest to see if their officials here at the capital will re-

main seated, with hauds folded while men with fine ex-service rec-ords are turned out of office sum-

marily, after rendering efficient service and standing at the head

main inactive and inert while of-

fices, while ex-service men have won by civil service tests are taken from them by partisan politics, then the ex-serice men of the country generally should be in-formed."

The trial will last three or four

NEW BOND ISSUE TO BE MADE SHORTLY

CITY COMMISSIONERS

NEW

WASHINGTON. Jan. 30.—The farm loan board is preparing a new bond issue to be made shortly, it was said today at the treasury. Officials said the issue probably would amount to about \$15.000,000. Interest rates have not yet been determined, it was said. The board will have to decide whether to dispose of the new bonds at a premium or lower the rate to below 5 per cent under existing conditions in the hond market.

WOULD SEIZE SHIP

ORLEANS, Jan. 30.

days.

of the eligible list.
"If the high officials are to re

CALLS HIS HAND

and Arthur H. Gibbs, Whittier.

that in order to work out the remaining details, the two delegations would meet again tomorrow. Dr. Koo of the Chinese, predicted that before tomorrow night a final and a definite settlement could be announced.

None of the Japanese would comment on the status of the negotiations prior to a formal announcement and no one who attended the meeting would disclose the exact ex-tent to which the plan sup-ported by "good officers" of the President, Secretary Hughes and Arthur J. Balfour, had been approved. "We made considerable

"We made considerable progress on the basis suggested by our friends. Mr. Balfour and Secretary Hughes," Dr. Pressed for details of the settlement, Dr. Koo said that

Will Send Delegates.

communication with their respec-

ORGANIZED AT THE

HAGUE ON MONDAY

It was decided at today's sitting

to request the secretariat of the

Among the judges present today

REMAINS OF NOTED

CHEMIST WILL BE

GARMENT WORKERS STRIKE

WORLD COURT IS

tive governments.

United States.

Simmons Offers Amendment Fixing Time of Interest Payments.

SENATOR JOHNSON JOINS DEMOCRATS

Administration Appar-Kansas Senator Wants Inently Has Things Its Way in the Refunding Matter.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30. - By fairly decisive votes the senate reused today either to require congressional approval of the agreements to be entered into with the debtor Tations by the proposed ailled debt refunding commission or to limit the authority of the tails as he thought the two
mediators would want to make
——[Continued as Page Test]

ments on the eleven billion dollar

foreign debt shall begin. Despite an agreement sharply miting debate, a final vote was ot reached. Late in the day when gan it looked as though the now week old fight would come to an end, but a reference to the agri-cultural "bloc" by one senator brought a tart reply by another; that led to further discussions and inally it was decided to recess until 11 a. m., tomorrow Those in charge of the bill hope to dispose of the measure on that day but Charges That National Arrangements Being Officials Are Not Working Made as if Every Nation many amendments still are pendng with plenty of more discussion

> JOHNSON ROME, Jan. 30.—(By The Asso-ciated Press)—The Italian govern—The first amendment r

The first amendment rejected toment is continuing its preparations for the organization of the Genes day was that proposing approval by congress of the bond conversion agreements. It was proposed by economic conference as if all the countries that have been invited, including the United States and France, had unqualifiedly announced their intentions to be repagreements. Senator Johnson, republican, Callfornia, and was voted down, 44 to 36. Seven republicans - Borah, France, Johnson, La-Brandegge. Follette, Moses and Norris joined Prefect Ricci, of Genoa, came to with 29 democrats in supporting the amendment. Senator Williams, Rome today to conferred with Mar-quis Delia Torretta, the minister of democrat, Mississippi was the only democrat opposing it. foreign affairs, Angelo Mauri minister of agriculture, and Eu-

administration from disregarding the ex-soldier preference provision of the law in making sppointments. Representative Brimson called the attention of Col. John Thomas Taylor, vice chairman of the national legislative committee to the Morehead City contest. Colonel Taylor sent Mr. Brinson a newspaper city conference. Next 'the senate rejected 49 32, an amendment by Senator Sim-mons, democrat, North Carolina, proposing that interest on the converted honds be paid semi-annually or annually, Senator Williams also opposed this amendment. letter enclosing a newspaper clipping to show the position of the legion as "relative to political appointments."

BRINSON

The strength of the strength o

sevants and five cooks.

The Associated Press correspondent was informed today by the minister of foreign affairs that there probably would be no hotel two years, but this also was voted the newspaper clipping, which you available for the journalists and down, 44 to 34. Senator Williams say expresses the policy of the national organization of the American legion as to the appointments would be the home of the writers to federal office.

are watching to see that the prop-phones in their quarters at the ho-years. This was pending when the er preference, under the law is tels so that they may be in direct senate finally went into a brief sengte inarry wen into a state executive session preliminary to taking a recess until 11 a.m., to-morrow. The recess plan was agreed upon after a motion to adjourn had been defeated on a roll call, 44 to 32.

In the course of debate today there were charges of "sinister in-fluences behind the bill. Senator THE HAGUE, Jan. 30.—(By fluences behind the bill. Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, declared that powerful financial interests ting of the permanent court of financial interests both in the United States and ternational justice in the peace abroad did not intend that the alternational peace in the peace behind the bill interests both in the United States and ternational justice in the peace behind the bill. Senator palace today, nine of the 11 judges lied debt should be paid. Senator and two supplementary judgeswers simmons retierated charges that proposed legislation would benefit land took the chair pending the election of a president.

It was decided at today's sittles allied countries floated by the land to the chair pending the state of the land to the land allied countries floated largely before the United States entered War.

league of nations to provide a court with a provisional secretariat. WOMAN IS ARRESTED The first public meeting of the AS A REAL FIREBUG court was fixed for February 15.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 30 .- Afwas John Bassett Moore of the ter gathering evidence for the past two weeks in his investigation into fires in several Louisiana towns of "a most peculiar nature," which he has placed in the hands of District BRUNSWICK, Ga., Jan. 39.—L.
Carter, former president of the
Jesup Banking company and vicepresident of the Odum Banking
company, was placed on trial in the
Glynn superior court here today on
a charge of fraudulent insolvency
to the Jesup Banking company. A
wagon load of records, documents.

Wagon load of records, documents,
etc., were brought into the court
room to fie used as evidence. Only
one witness was examined late this
afternoon after a jury had been secured.

The trial will leading to RALEIGH

TOO LATE: TO TAKEN TO RALEIGH

proceedings would be begun to bring Mrs. Crosby into Louisiana from Jackson, Miss., where she is 171 to 117, a democratic motion now residing with her family.

The fire marshal declared that pose of restricting the board's adhis office was investigating the de-struction by fire of several boardsociated Press)—Dr. Fridtjof Nan-sen, who is closely identified with Russian relief, expressed himself in a pessimistic manner in a state-ment to press representatives this afterneon regarding the famine in Russia.

TO FRENCH PREMIER

"It is too late to save the people of Russia," he said. "Whatsver is done they will die by the millions. Livestock is dying everywhere and if nothing is done there will pres-PARIS, Jan. 30 .- (By The Asso-PARIS, Jan. 30.—(By The Associated Press.—Myron T. Herrick,
American ambassador to France,
and George Harvey, ambassador to
Great Britain, were in conversation
today with Premier Poincare for
nearly 40 minutes. Afterwards the
ambassadors said that their talk
was of a general nature and that
of \$11,000, was adopted as was an
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and the presentative of ently be none remaining. Twenty American dollars will keep a horse alive, but a human life can be sayed for 15 shillings, that sum would keep a man alive until the new harvest. was of a general nature and that it did not relate especially to the "You may talk about the hor-rors of war, but these people auf-fer for weeks and months before they die." Genoa economic conference or to Pranco-American relations.

Reference was made during the interview to the general situation, but according to Mr. Harvey and Mr. Herrick the French premier, contrary to expectations failed to take advantage of the opportunity to discuss the attitude of the Unitto the Genoa conference.

Warrant for the seizure of the steamship Noccalulu, of Pensacola, Fla., was issued in United States district court today as the result of a suit filed by the board of commissioners for the port of New Orleans. The port commissioners alleged that the steamship owes thorn \$3,463 as wharfage charges and that the master of the vessel had refused to pay it and had intended putting to sea. NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Members of the Ladies Waist and Dressmakers union today picketed 40 independent non-union shops in a strike against a 25 per cent cut in wages, which was joined by 2,000 women and girls in the Fifth avenue loft district this morning. It was the first visit of the ambecame premier, Both Mr. Herrick and Mr. Harvey tendered to M. Polncare congratulations and good

Cause Of Disaster At Knickerbocker Starts Capper Offers His Resolution Calling

For Investigation quiry to Be of Wide-

spread Nature

WASHINGTON, Jan 20 .- Investigation of the Knickerbecker the are disaster by a senate committee is proposed in a resolution introduced today by Sonator Capper republican, Kansas, a nomber of the District of Columbia committee. It was referred to a commit-

is customary. Supporting the resolution, Sanator Frelinghuysen, republican, New Jersey, said the investigation should be "a widespread one of the entire District government," addknowledge that many buildings in Washington were "fire traps" which might at any time cost scores of

The resolution read as follows: "Whereas, the tragedy at the Knickerbocker theatre last Saturday evening, resulting in the death of 109 citizens and the serious injury of many others, has profound-ly shocked the people of Washington and the entire nation; and, EXPLANATION

"Whereas, the explanation that snow, although of as extraordinary quantity, was the chief cause of the collapse of the roof appears to be unsatisfactory; and.

"Whereas, it is currently reported that contractors and builders, especially during and since the world war, have ignored, evaded or treated lightly the rules and regulations provided in the building code of the District of Columbia, especially those sections which make mandatory provision for assurance against such a terrible calamity as has just occurred; and, Whereas, it has been persistently rumored that contractors and builders, determined to save money on the crection of residences and building structures, have acted in collusion with inspectors of buildings employed by the District of Columbia; and, "Whereas, it is the imperative

duty of the senate of the United States to know all the facts relating to this inexcusable tragedy and also to learn what, if any, truth there is in the repeated assertions that the afety and health of thoueands of citizens and residents of the District of Columbia have been jeopardized by the actions of care less contractors, builders and build-ing inspectors, "Resolved, That the senate com-

mittee on the District of Columbia STILL FIGHTING
STILL FIGHTING
Senator Simmous offered another
amendment limiting the time for
deferring interest payment to the of builders, contractors and building inspectors, especially in relation to structures erected during and since the world war.

"Resolved, That the committee" resolution proposing an investigation.

be authorized to employ such expert and other help as may in its judgment be needed to obtain all judgment be needed to obtain all sioners declared they would go in-the facts connected with this dis-to every phase of the tragedy which occurred Saturday night

"Resolved. That the expenses of the investigation be defrayed from the contingent fund of the United states senate."

which occurred saturday inside the contingent fund of the United dred, not only for the purpose of fixing the blame but of also guard-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- The has placed in the hands of District independent offices appropriation Attorney Bisnchard, of Caddo parish. Conrad Lecoz. state fire marish. Conrad Lecoz. state fire marish. shal, today ordered the arrest of Mrs. M. E. Crosby, well known in New Orleans, Shreveport, Bogalus's, charging that she is the head of an "arson trust." Warrants also were issued for Mrs. Crosby's two daughters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Raney and Mrs. R. H. Raney and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Raney and Mrs. R shal, today ordered the arrest of the veterans bureau, was passed Mrs. M. E. Crosby, well known in today by the house and sent to the

Mr. Lecoz stated that extradition the \$190,000,000 appropriation for roceedings would be begun to the shipping board came in for ring Mrs. Crosby into Louisiana sharp attack, the house defeating. vertising expenditures to \$500,000. In addition to \$900,000 carried for advertising, the board has available \$800,000, thus giving it \$1,-700,000 for advertising. DEMOCRATS

WOULD RECOMMIT

The motion to recommit, offer-ed by Representative Byrnes, democrat, South Carolina, a member of the appropriations committee, would have eliminated also a sec-

a mend ment by Representative Walsh, republican, Massachusetts, limiting such salaries to \$25,900.

Mr. Walsh also got through an ant. Wassa also got through an mendment stipulating that no part of the appropriation should be used by the board for publication of its own newspapers, bulletins or periodicals of any kind.

DECLINES THIS POST

BERLIN, Jun. 30.—(By The Asso-ciated Press.)—Dr. Andreas Hermea, minister of food, has definitely de-olined appointment as ambassador of the United States. His declination is largely due to leading members of his own party who desired bim, to retain his post in the cabinet.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

President Postpones Social Function by Reason of Suffering in Capital.

UNITED STATES

OFFICER INSPECTS Death List Remains Around 105 While Many

Are at the Hospitals.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- The possibility that the number of dead in the Knickerbocker theatre dead in the Knickerbocker theatre tragedy might be less than 190 was seen tonight after the police had completed a recheck of all names in the earlier casualty lists and had made a thorough inquiry covering undertaking establishments and hospitals. As a result of their investigation, it was said the death list so far as definitely ascertained now stood at 95. ascertained now stood at 95.

Ten names in the lists heretofore given of the dead were tentatively stricken out pending more
definite knowledge of these persons. The 10 had been listed as
"address unknown" and there "had been no inquiries by relatives or friends for such persons." These were: W. N. Crawford, Albert Ba-ker, E. H. Hall, Paulus Lamby, L. L. Lehler, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Maine, D. N. Walsh, Miss M. E. Walsh and a Mrs. Davis.

The condition of Edward H Shaughnessy, second assistant postmaster-general, was said to-night to be "improved" and it was added that he was now expected to

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- Investigation of the cause of the Knick-erbocker theatre disaster, which caused the death of more than one hundred persons, was begun today by several agencies of the District of Columbia government with the probability that the senate and the house also might undertake an ex-haustive inquiry.

The senate is expected to act to morrow on a resolution by Senator Clapper, republican, Kansas, calling for an investigation of the catastrophe by a senate committee, De spite the announcement by Repre sentative Mondell, republican lead er, that the house would not au-thorize an inquiry until District of Columbia officials have concluded their investigations. Representative Ryan, republican, New York, charging that the collapse of the

vestigation. District of Columbia commis

ing against possible recurrence such calamities. ENGINEER MAKES

Colonel Charles Keller, engineer commissioner, after making a per-sonal survey of the wreckage de-clared he believed the cave-in was caused by a defect in material at some point of the roof's support. He stated, however, that it would be impossible now to determine whether there had been any defect in material.

If Senate Passes Bill Over 300 Million Will Be Available for Veterans.

fect in material.

Plans for the support of the roof. Colonel Kellar asserted, indicated that the capacity for weight was greatly in excess of any requirement in a climate like Weshington. Washington's. Building Inspector Healy also

was of the opinion that plans for the construction of the roof were sound and practical and that the

ACTIVE D. J. Ramsey Nevitt, District of

D. J. Ramsey Nevitt, District of Columbia coroner, declaring he would spare no effort in placins vesponsibility; requested Peyton Gordon, district attorney, to ask the war department to assign ex-pert engineers to the task of determining the cause of the roof collapse. Mr. Gordon said he would seak such assistance Convinced that all bodies had

been removed from the debris the search for dead was halted today by officials in charge of rescue by officials in work which had gone on continu ously for 40 hours. The last body was removed from the wreckage late last night. Inspector Healy ordered the walls of the theatre razed at once as a safety precaution. Unfounded reports that the walls had collapsed, killing men in the rescue party, were spread broadcast today, causing much ex-

citement. Careful recheck of the dead in the injured died, the death toll would be 105, reports that three additional persons her died. additional persons had died were unverified.

A dozen persons in hospitals however, were reported in a crit-ical condition tonight, although E. H. Shaughnessy, second assistant postmaster-general, was said to be greatly improved. More than 100 persons sustained injuries of more than a minor

taken to hospitals.
The tragedy caused the postponement today of practically all