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## REPUBLICANS NAME THEIR CANDIDATES FOR SENATE JOBS

**Senator George Moses Named  
For President-Tempore to  
Succeed Senator Cummins  
Who Was Not Candidate.**

**SENATOR CURTIS  
WAS REELECTED**

**Believed That Senator Curtis  
Will Name Senator Jones  
as Party Whip—Will Also  
Select Committees.**

(By the Associated Press)  
Washington, March 5.—Senator Geo. H. Moses, of New Hampshire, was selected today by senate republicans as their candidate for president pro-tempore of the senate to succeed Senator Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, who died not seek renomination.

Senator Charles Curtis, of Kansas, was reelected republican floor leader, and Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana, was again selected as vice chairman of the conference. Senator James E. Wadsworth, Jr., of New York, continued as the conference secretary.

Senator Curtis was directed to select a party whip and is expected to reappoint Senator Wesley L. Jones, of Washington. The majority leader also was authorized to fill any vacancy on the republican committee on committees, which names the insurgent farmer-labor members to the regular committee.

**STOCKS DECLINE UPON  
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The Message Considered Constructively  
Sound But It Had Been Discounted.

New York, March 4.—Publication of President Coolidge's inaugural message, which had been "discounted" by the recent advance in the stock market, which carried the industrial and railroad averages to the highest levels in history, was followed late today by a sharp re-action in prices, which carried scores of popular issues two to fourteen points below last night's closing levels.

The reaction, which apparently was precipitated by speculators for the decline, who threw thousands of shares into the market in the final hour of trading, was generally described in Wall Street brokerage circles as the traditional "selling on good news." It was based on the speculative theory that a technical setback was due after the recent prolonged advances in many issues.

Commission house comment on the inaugural message was characterized "constructive." No adverse criticism was contained in the evening market letters of the brokerage houses.

Shortly after 2 o'clock some of the leading wire houses, which branch offices in many of the larger cities of the country, are reported to have sent out "flashes" recommending the sale of practically all stocks "at the market." This brought about a tremendous value of selling by small traders, who were eager to convert their paper profits into cash. Floor traders, who are always eager to buy or sell stocks for a "turn" swelled the volume of offerings.

**WORK OF STATE LEGISLATURE**

Assembly Devoted Two Hours Today to  
Clearing Local and Public Calendars.

(By the Associated Press)

Raleigh, March 5.—The General Assembly today devoted the first two hours of its session to clearing the local and public calendars. The House had before it as a special order at the close of the routine morning hour, the minority favorable report on the bill to allow the members of co-operative associations to withdraw from such organizations.

The Senate expected to reach its third reading of the revenue bill after its routine was out of the way.

Immediately after the completion of routine, an attempt was made to bring the revenue report before the senate for third reading. This failed, and it was set as special order for tonight, after notice had been served by some senators that its passage would be opposed unless an increase in the school equilization fund and the Confederate Veterans pension fund was made.

**SUPPORTS DAWES IN  
VIEWS ON THE SENATE**

Representative Free Blames Senate For  
Not Adopting Excellent Deportation  
Bill.

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, March 5.—Support of the attitude of Vice President Dawes toward Senate procedure was voiced in an address delivered here by Representative Free, republican, of California, who asserted that after the House had passed an excellent deportation bill at the last session, it was left to die in the senate because some "senator wanted to talk about peanuts."

Rules of the House, Mr. Free said, are such that a majority can get some business done when necessary.

**Championship Game in Salisbury.**

(By the Associated Press)  
Salisbury, March 5.—Gulfwood College and Candier High School meet here tonight to decide the western championship in basketball. The winner plays the champion of the East in Chapel Hill Saturday night for the title. Both have excellent records for the season.

Ten Pages Today  
Two Sections

MRS. DOROTHY DENNISTON  
IS CLOSELY QUESTIONED

In Suit For Money She Alleges Her Former Husband Got From Her to Pay His Debts.

(By the Associated Press)

London, March 5.—Mrs. Dorothy Muriel Denniston was submitted to a searching cross examination in the opening of today's session in the trial of her suit against her former husband, Lieut. Col. Ian Onslow Denniston, for money she alleges he loaned him, and with which he paid his debts.

Miss Denniston, who divorced her husband in 1921, gave details of her friendship and intimacy with the late Sir John Stevens Cowans, England's war quartermaster general, whom she alleges was encouraged by her husband because of his desire for military preference.

Col. Denniston, who married former countess of Carnarvon after the death of the late earl of Carnarvon, discovered of the tomb of King Tut, is charging his former wife as an alternative defense, with misconduct with other men after their divorce. Lady Carnarvon again sat beside her husband in the court room, which was crowded with spectators among whom were many women.

Mrs. Denniston was questioned closely with regard to meeting with a Col. Innes in Lisbon and Paris, and with Prince Rehobothkali in Budapest in the latter part of 1922, shortly before Col. Denniston's marriage to Lady Carnarvon. She admitted she had traveled to Lisbon and Paris with Col. Innes and another woman, and also that she saw the prince several times during a visit to Budapest.

**DAWES' PROCEDURE IN  
SENATE BRINGS ACTION**

Senator Hale Explains Why Vice President Left Senate Without Presiding Officer.

(By the Associated Press)  
Washington, March 5.—Vice President Dawes' departure from the usual procedure of the senate yesterday became the subject of debate today immediately after the senate convened.

The new Vice President was presiding and he and Senator Curtis, of Kansas, the republican leader, were undertaking to hasten the proceedings when Senator Hale, republican, of Maine, arose to explain that he alone was responsible for Mrs. Dawes' leaving the chamber for yesterday without a regularly constituted presiding officer.

Then Senator Reed, democrat, of Missouri, objected to dispensing with the reading of the Journal as was customary, explaining he wanted to find out just how the Journal recorded events yesterday at the first special session over which Mr. Dawes presided.

**NEW GASOLINE TAX IS  
BEING COLLECTED NOW**

Cent Tax on Gasoline Became Effective in the State Today.

(By the Associated Press)

Raleigh, March 5.—The added one cent per gallon tax on gasoline became effective throughout the state today. The tax raises the levy on gasoline from three cents to four cents a gallon. It was voted by the general assembly for the purpose of funding the additional \$20,000,000 bond issue for good roads, approved by the body, and was to become effective immediately upon ratification.

The act was ratified February 21, and the automobile license department announced today that machinery for its enforcement had been completed.

**DR. CHARLES LEVERMORE  
MAY LOSE \$150,000**

Because Congress Failed to Adopt the Peace Plans as Outlined by Him.

(By the Associated Press)

New York, March 5.—Failure of the United States to adopt the Bok world peace plan during the sixty-eight Congress which ended yesterday caused Dr. Charles Herbert Levermore, author of the plan to lose his chance technically at least to gain the second award of \$50,000 offered by Edward Bok.

The first award of \$50,000 was given Dr. Levermore upon acceptance of his plan by a special jury headed by Eliza Root.

**KELLOGG TAKES OATH AS  
SECRETARY OF STATE**

Oath Administered at State Department By Assistant Justice Butler.

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, March 5.—Frank B. Kellogg was sworn in today as Secretary of State, succeeding Charles E. Hughes, who held the post for the past four years. The oath was administered at the State Department at 9:30 a. m. by Associate Justice Pierce Butler, of the Supreme Court, who, like Mr. Kellogg, is a Minnesotan.

**Confederate Pension Bill Is Given a Favorable Report.**

Raleigh, March 4.—Senator Heath, of Union, won a favorable report on his proposal to increase the pensions of Confederate soldiers when the bill, bearing his name, and others, came from the pensions committee of the senate this afternoon.

The bill would add a tax of \$2 on every automobile and truck license and is figured to raise more than \$500,000. It is understood that the house committee on pensions has also looked with favor on the bill, introduced simultaneously in the house. However, members believe that the objections to the bill will be too strong to allow its passage.

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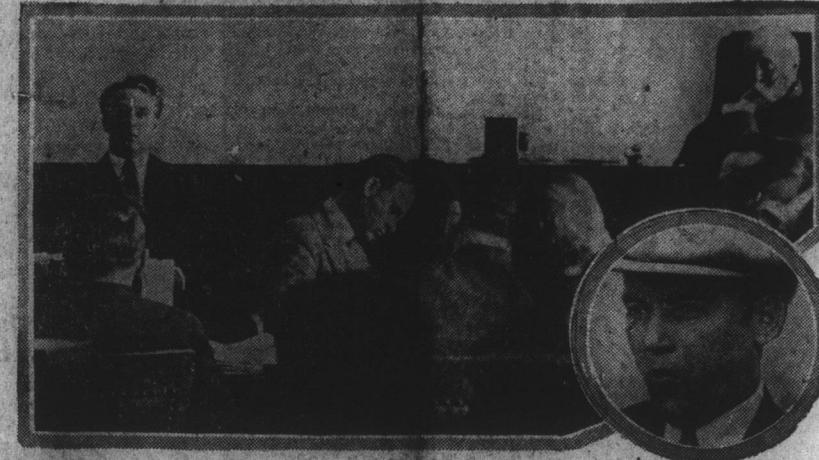
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## Charlie Admits That He Is Funny



Charlie Chaplin, noted film comedian, is shown as he appeared on the witness stand in Los Angeles during a trial in which he sought to prevent Charles Amador, inset, from imitating him on the screen. Charlie admitted he was funny and boasted having his antics copied.

### WITS ARE KEENEST AT AGE OF 16, SAYS BRITISH SAGE

Prof. Thomson Finds Brain is At Its Best Then For Tackling Problems.

London, March 5.—Human intelligence appears to reach the maximum at the age of sixteen years, according to deductions set forth in a book by Godfrey H. Thomson, professor at Armstrong College, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

These deductions, it is explained, were made after careful research of a mass of statistics on the subject, and indicate that a person may add to his book learning and his knowledge of the world as the years go along, but that he will never have a sharper brain with which to tackle problems than when somewhere about the age of sixteen.

Prof. Thompson asserts: "Of the majority of cases it can be said that an intelligent man was intelligent as a child. If he did not show it in school it was the fault of his teachers. It simply meant that no lesson was so presented to him that he would take an interest in it."

### CONGRESSIONAL RECORD GUILTY OF AN ERROR

Today's Copy Said Charles B. Warren Had Been Confirmed as Attorney General.

(By the Associated Press)

New York, March 5.—When the inauguration hurry had died down today it was noted that a number of senators sat back to complacently read the Congressional Record and then arose in great haste and dashed to the telephone.

The cause of their agitation was found to be an erroneous paragraph in the Congressional Record which declared Chas. B. Warren, of Michigan, over whose nomination as attorney general a hot fight had been waged, had been confirmed.

Some senators still somewhat touchy over their experience yesterday with Vice President Dawes thought maybe in the last minute confusion something had been put over on them. They were told the usually accurate record had made a mistake which would be corrected in a later issue.

### BANQUET IS ARRANGED FOR COL. J. E. ROBINSON

Who for the Past Forty Years Has Been Editor of the Goldsboro Argus.

(By the Associated Press)

Goldsboro, March 5.—In celebration of his 40th anniversary as editor of the Goldsboro Argus, a banquet will be tendered Col. Jos. E. Robinson here tonight by citizens of the community.

The celebration will take place at the Woman's Club. Members of the newspaper fraternity throughout the state and other friends have been invited.

### GAME BILL KILLED.

Raleigh, March 4.—Following an hour's debate, the house of representatives this afternoon slaughtered the proposed statewide game bill by a vote of 71 to 34 after which the clincher was put on which places the measure beyond the power of resurrection at the present session.

Representative Graham, of Orange led the fight for the bill and Representative Murphy, of Rowan led the opponents.

Speaking for the passage of the bill were Representatives Graham, of Orange; Patton, Bellamy, Harrison, Wade and Massenburg.

Speaking against the bill's passage were Representative Murphy of Rowan, Hamilton, Bailey, of Onslow; Moore, Poole, of Hoke; Hurley, Wilson, Alexander and Bowie.

### BUILDING Burns at Duke University.

Durham, March 4.—Fire last night at 12 o'clock practically destroyed the Sigma Chi fraternity house on the Duke University campus, a three-story structure in which twenty students were living. Students said two kegs of dynamite were removed from the burning building by one of the boys it having been stored in the basement by the construction company engaged in grading that portion of the campus on which the house was located. Had the dynamite been ignited a terrific explosion sufficient to blow the house to pieces would have resulted, it was stated.

### Must Find Gen. Dawes' Dog.

(By the Associated Press)

Chicago, March 5.—While his master was taking the oath as Vice President of the United States yesterday, Marico, wire-haired fox terrier belonging to Gen. Chas. G. Dawes disappeared from the Dawes home in Evanston. Neil Benson, the family chauffeur, was pathetic in his appeal for police assistance.

"He (the Eastern Jew) sometimes causes unfriendly comment if he moves into a mainly British quarter by annexing a British name; I have known Irishmen to be moved to fury by the conversion of Solomon into O'Sullivan, and cannot see why the immigrant Jew who finds that there are war-time and post-war prejudices against 'Hunish' or 'Bolshevist' surnames, and wishes to change his, should not fall back on the stately and familiar names of the Old Testament," London Times.

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### INCREASED COLLECTION OF FEDERAL TAXES AT RALEIGH

Due to the Increased Business of the Tobacco Companies.

Raleigh, March 5.—Despite the fact that the federal income tax rate has been cut from four per cent, to one and one-half per cent, the gross revenue collected in North Carolina during the month of February, 1925, shows an increase of approximately twelve per cent, over February, 1924," declared Gillian Grissom, collector of internal revenue, in an interview here yesterday.

Mr. Grissom stated that the collections during the month of February, 1925, totalled \$11,652,960, as compared with \$10,653,877 collected during February, 1924, a net gain of \$1,029,082.

The reduction of the federal income tax rate has not brought about a decrease in the revenue collected," said Mr. Grissom. "In other words, what we have lost on the peanuts we have made up on the 'permitters'."

When questioned as to why the increase in the revenue collected, Mr. Grissom explained that the loss in revenue incurred by the reduction of the tax rate had been more than met by the increased business of the tobacco manufacturing concerns. "There is no questioning the fact that the tobacco companies are doing a much larger business than they did during the corresponding period of one year ago," he said.

"During the first eight months of the present fiscal year we have collected a total revenue, in round numbers, of \$104,500,000, as compared with \$102,500,000 collected during the preceding fiscal year. That means just one thing—that we are approximately \$2,000,000 ahead this year. The figures speak for themselves."

### MCLEAN WILL NOT BE HURRIED INTO HEARING FOR BORGULM

Extradition Hearing Must Await Habeas Corpus Procedure and End of Legislature.

Raleigh, March 5.—Governor Angus W. McLean will not grant a hearing on extradition proceedings brought from Georgia to return Gutzon Borglum to that state until the latter part of next week, he announced tonight.

The governor announced that he would take no action in the matter of extradition until after the habeas corpus proceedings now pending at Greensboro is disposed of and until the session of the North Carolina general assembly is ended. The habeas corpus proceeding brought by the sculptor after his arrest last Saturday is scheduled to be heard Saturday night and the assembly is scheduled to adjourn the same night.

The governor made it known his intentions known in a telegram to Reuben R. Arnold, an attorney of Atlanta, who had notified him of the extradition application issued by Governor Walker and requested a hearing in the matter for Thursday or Friday of this week.

The governor in making public Mr. Arnold's telegram and his reply referred to the general belief in legislative circles that the general assembly would not complete its work before Tuesday and that he would not be able to handle the Borglum hearing until the latter part of the week.

### EARTHQUAKES NOT LIKELY TO VISIT THE EAST AGAIN.

Washington, March 4.—The eastern parts of the United States and Canada are in no immediate danger of a second and more severe earthquake than the one felt in many cities on the night of February 28, is the opinion of Father Francis A. Tondorf, seismologist of Georgetown university. In fact they are likely to go another century before a similar scare occurs.

When an earth movement of major importance occurs in a region that is geologically old and well settled, Father Tondorf explained, it acts as a readjustment and relief